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POLITICAL.

[illegible] of the ex-Rebels.

[illegible] Dec. 19.—A dispatch from [illegible] it is a significant fact that in [illegible] Senter's resolution relating to [illegible] yesterday, almost the entire [illegible] made up of members who [illegible] oath when sworn in. All [illegible] in the negative who were in [illegible] except Gov. Walker of Virginia [illegible] of Iowa, and Proctor Knott.

[illegible] Electoral Messengers.

[illegible] Dec. 19.—The total amount [illegible] the mileage of electoral messengers [illegible] $57. The messenger from [illegible] award of $900.

[illegible] Plan to Settle the Presidential Question.

[illegible] peaceful settlement [illegible] is suggested by Senator [illegible] His scheme is [illegible] questions connected with [illegible] committee of 14—seven Representatives and seven [illegible] This body would have the [illegible] the Oregon case, and upon [illegible] South Carolina, Florida [illegible] elections. In short, this [illegible] would have the right to decide [illegible] the next President of the [illegible] however in the method [illegible] peculiarity of Senator [illegible] plan. He would have [illegible] a certain number of [illegible] would be put into a [illegible] number of names from the [illegible] in another box. The [illegible] would then be determined [illegible] drawn by a blindfolded [illegible] box. Of course in this [illegible] purely accidental which [illegible] by the lottery, but [illegible] there are many precedents [illegible] in the political [illegible] have been decided by [illegible] as trivial as his own. He [illegible] is to avoid war and [illegible] joint commission from [illegible] with authority, it would [illegible] as it were, by Providence [illegible] are non-committal.

[illegible] the President [illegible]

[illegible]—The Tribune's Washington [illegible] There is a growing [illegible] of both parties that the [illegible] situation can still be [illegible] court for a decision. [illegible] can be narrowed [illegible] whether the House of [illegible] the right of its own motion [illegible] concurrence of the Senate [illegible] of a State. This [illegible] question, and like [illegible] of different interpretation [illegible] of that instrument, it [illegible] the Supreme Court. [illegible] is to get the matter [illegible] Democrats and Republicans [illegible] to the plan.

[illegible] on the Electors.

[illegible] Speaker Randall [illegible] Ferry, in regard to [illegible] joint committee to [illegible] counting the electoral [illegible] intended to appoint [illegible] Republicans. Ferry [illegible] unfair division, and [illegible] appoint four Democrats [illegible] and then [illegible] the Senate, four [illegible] Democrats. Randall [illegible] will not announce [illegible] Randall appoints [illegible]

[illegible] Hayes One [illegible]

[illegible] special says [illegible] the investigation [illegible] them identical [illegible] says Grover [illegible] gain two votes and [illegible] the Republicans have [illegible] the Democrats seem [illegible] and divided. Few [illegible] snubbed.

[illegible] Legions.

[illegible]ington special says [illegible] New York that [illegible] of Missouri, is [illegible] Tilden, and has [illegible] of the Tilden League [illegible] headquarters at St. [illegible] of operations.

North Carolina.

[illegible]—The election contest [illegible] subpenas in the con[illegible] North Carolina.

[illegible]priations.

[illegible] committee have [illegible] appropriation bill. It [illegible] $40,000 less than [illegible] reduction being in pay [illegible] The bill makes [illegible] or their salaries or [illegible] half-past 2, has been

Telegrams.

[illegible]—The statement that [illegible] served with a subpena to [illegible] the 28th inst. with [illegible] Secretary Chandler [illegible] Up to 12 o'clock to[illegible] served upon him, and [illegible] that one will be. Mr. [illegible] those having his matter [illegible] calling upon him to [illegible] sent by Chandler and [illegible] would be for the [illegible] these gentlemen and [illegible] they have sent any tel[illegible] the matter under in[illegible] holds that the com[illegible] the sender of telegrams for [illegible] to the messenger who

[illegible] Must Come.

[illegible] 20.—A majority of the [illegible] Judiciary decided that the [illegible] committee have the right [illegible] dispatches, when such [illegible] to the purposes of in[illegible] demands must be complied [illegible] penalty of being held in con[illegible] This was the position [illegible] chairman of the sub-committee [illegible] subject was referred for re[illegible] McCrary reported that, in [illegible] telegrams called for should [illegible] but Lynde's proposi[illegible] the affirmative votes being [illegible] Hunton, Ashe, Lynde and

[illegible] Dec. 20.—Wm. Orton, president [illegible] Western Union Telegraph Co. [illegible] subpenaed to appear in person [illegible] December 26th, before the [illegible] committee, to produce certain [illegible] The action of the House [illegible] sergeant-at-arms authority to [illegible] processes in that direction.

Developments Expected.

[illegible] Dec. 20.—The Tribune's Washington [illegible] those who should know say [illegible] as chairman of the National [illegible] were sent over other names [illegible] if Chandler's dispatches are [illegible] Hewitt's will be forthcoming [illegible] developments are ex[illegible]

The N. Y. Postoffice.

[illegible] Dec. 20.—Mr. James, postmaster, [illegible] to Hon. A. S. Hewitt, [illegible] I am informed you charge [illegible] Congress, that your letters [illegible] this office are, or have [illegible] reaching your hands. [illegible] it is, or has been, [illegible] done in this office? It [illegible] your charge with a [illegible] investigation, as I pro[illegible] utterly and absolutely

[illegible] a Protest.

[illegible] in the Senate to-day, [illegible] condemning [illegible] in South Carolina, and expressing Virginia's sympathy for the people of that State, was further discussed, and an amendment inserted calling on South Carolina's people to continue in their forbearance, etc., after which it was adopted, yeas 31, nays 4, the Republicans voting nay.

The Great Question of the Day.

The multiplication of plans for settling the disputed Presidential question is certainly a hopeful sign. The more that are brought forward, the greater will be the chance of agreement upon some one of them, because every member of Congress who becomes author of one of these propositions, lays aside the attitude of belligerent partisanship and commits himself to the general idea of finding, if possible, some way of reconciling the conflicting claims of the two parties. The last plan broached, is that Congress shall not count the electoral votes at all, but shall declare by joint resolution there has been no lawful election, and alter the law of 1792, so as to provide for holding a new election in May next.

The *Times* says the constitution declares in language of indisputable distinctness that the President of the Senate shall open the certificates of the electors for President and Vice President of the United States. It is not an act which he may, but a duty which he shall perform, unaided by clerks, tellers, Senators or Representatives in Congress. When he is directed by the constitution to open all certificates, it is necessary for him, first, to decide what are the genuine certificates to be opened; second, it is settled, not by the words of the constitution, but, by practice or precedent, from which there has not been a single departure since the origin of the government, that the presiding officer of the Senate announces officially the full counting and formally makes known to Congress and the country who are elected.

Democrats Center on Louisiana.

The *Times* Washington special says: The Democrats have abandoned Oregon, South Carolina and Florida, and now base their hopes entirely on Louisiana. In Louisiana nothing will be allowed to stand in the way of a report to the House of the very strongest character, asserting Tilden's election, and on that report they will undertake to rest their case, and demand the inauguration of Tilden. All Republicans who were in Louisiana during the counting of the vote agree that it is absolutely impossible for the committee to damage the Republican case.

New Matters Stand in Florida.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Speaking of Florida affairs the *Tribune's* Washington special says that Conover manifests some uneasiness about his State. He thinks it possible the court may order the canvass reopened and that the canvassers may obey its mandate. In such an event he anticipates the State ticket and Congressman may be gained to the Democrats. He does not, however, seem to fear that the electoral vote can be taken from Hayes and Wheeler.

A Little Democratic Victory.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The *Herald's* Tallahassee dispatch says the Democrats carried the city election to-day, electing their mayor by 12 votes. The election was perfectly quiet. The Republicans had about 2 to 1 in the registry list. A great many colored people, and many white Republicans voted the Democratic ticket. This is the first time the city has been carried by the Democrats since the war.

Manton Marble on Florida.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Manton Marble writes to all the Democratic journals his views of the Florida election, claiming that Tilden had a clear majority.

The Florida Investigation.

The *Herald's* New Orleans dispatch says that the Senatorial committee are to be hurried up. It is said they have received a dispatch from Washington to return as soon as possible, it being feared some political emergency may occur in which their presence and votes may be wanted.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Hampton Legislature Elect a Senator.

COLUMBIA, Dec. 19.—In the House to-day, 79 Senators and Representatives were present. This being the legal quorum of the joint assembly, a ballot was taken for U. S. Senator, resulting in the election of M. C. Butler. He received the vote of 79 voters. Nothing was done by the Republicans or courts to-day of any interest. Everything is quiet.

The South Carolina Muss.

COLUMBIA, Dec. 20.—The Senate to-day decided by a strict party vote to adjourn with the Republican House *sine die* on the 22d inst. The tax and appropriation bills passed a second reading in the Senate. The tax levy aggregates seventeen mills, exclusive of local tax.

Butcher Butler of South Carolina.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The *Times* on Butler's election in South Carolina: This action is eminently worthy of the men who claim the legality of elections carried by the rifle clubs of Laurens and Edgefield. It is characteristic of the defiance of the moral sense of the country. Butler is in every sense worthy of his constituency, and the presentation of his claims to the Senate will afford an opportunity of spreading out before the people the atrocities of which he was the chief actor, and the political methods which he represents. Had his election been as regular as it is farcical he would in all probability have been denied a place in the Senate, and the act that such a choice was made is very clear proof that the Democratic legislators of South Carolina are perfectly aware that their proceedings are an empty form.

Exit the Rump.

The *Times* says the South Carolina legislature had agreed to adjourn *sine die*, which is probably the most prudent course for it to adopt under the circumstances. It is interesting to learn that the funds which were said to have been advanced by the Carolina bank for the salaries of those patriots really come out of the pocket of Tilden.

THE CUBAN REVOLUTION.

Spanish Successes.

HAVANA, Dec. 19.—Following is a report of the principal actions between Spaniards and insurgents: In the jurisdiction of Santa Clara the Spaniards destroyed three salt pits and sixty-three huts belonging to the insurgents, killing six of the latter. In the jurisdiction of Santiago a Spanish column of troops with 100 cavalry, defeated a party of 600 insurgents and dispersed them, killing 27 men and capturing 35 horses and 10 mules. The loss of the Spaniards was 2 soldiers and 3 officers killed, and 26 wounded. The many troops which have arrived from Spain are said to be distributed over various counties in such manner that they can be in immediate contact with each other, whilst various columns are in constant movement, relieving each other continually.

CANADA.

Heavy Embezzlement.

TORONTO, Dec. 20.—J. C. Barber, assistant accountant of the Bank of Montreal, of this city, was arrested this afternoon charged with appropriating debentures held as collaterals by the bank. Mr. Crombie, solicitor for the bank, took Barber to Montreal Saturday night and he there confessed to a series of embezzlements amounting to upwards of $100,000, which he sank principally in stock operations.

OREGON.

W. H. Noble has been elected marshal of Marshfield.

A man who would probably "take a hot stove," dug up and stole a lot of fruit trees belonging to W. G. Webster, of Marshfield, a few days or nights ago.

There are thirty students in the medical department of the Wallamet University. The eleventh regular course of lectures began last Tuesday, the opening address being delivered by Dr. J. M. Jones, a member of the faculty.

The Iowa company at Quartsburg, Idaho, has run its tunnel 500 feet.

LOUISIANA.

House Committee Investigation.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 20.—House committee testimony: George A. Brandorph (colored) voted the Democratic ticket. He was afterwards knocked down, beaten, arrested and sent to prison. They beat him because he voted the Democratic ticket. He made complaint to the police, but they refused to protect him. He was threatened before the election, by a woman around telling colored men they would be returned to slavery if the Democrats succeeded.

Cross-examined—Was not troubled during the election; reiterates that he had been attacked; detailed circumstances of the attack. After being attacked, made complaint to the police. They arrested him for disturbing the peace; was tried by justice's court and condemned to pay $5 fine, or ten days in prison; was sent to prison; was formerly a Republican; changed politics because he wanted work.

Charles Casanave had been a member of the returning board since 1872. All of the members of the board belonged to the Republican party. There was a recommendation to fill the vacancy, but the board could not agree. Some of the returns of supervisors were returned direct to the board, others to the Secretary of State. Returns were opened in the presence of representatives of both parties. All the decisions were made in private session. The board made returns from the consolidated statements of supervisors, never allowing any additions to be made by supervisors after the statements were received by the board. In a few cases they sent for the boxes, but don't remember from what parishes. Did not canvass Grant parish. Received some irregular returns. Threw out East Feliciana because of general intimidation. When asked if he intended to bring for the inspection of the committee the original returns of supervisors, he said he had not brought the papers and could not bring them without consent of the board. Would consult other members of the board and bring them if they consented. I do not know whether Tilden or Hayes electors had a majority of the votes according to the supervisors' statements. Never heard any members say who had a majority. Know they threw out two parishes and several polls in other parishes. Thinks the votes thrown out aggregated several thousand. Could not say how many. Thinks probably four or five thousand. Do not recollect the number of parishes in which votes were thrown out, but thinks 14 or 15.

Senator McDonald said it was not the province of the committee to determine anything. The committee wanted only facts for the information of the body from which the committee derived its authority. The committee ought to know the facts upon which the board rejected votes, which by their statement received, they admit they did reject. The question of calling for other documents of the returning board is being discussed by the committee.

The remainder of Casanave's testimony was substantially the same as Gen. Anderson's last night. Anderson was recalled, and handed the committee a statement, signed by all the members of the board, showing the vote on State presidential electors' aggregate vote of parishes, or by parishes. He explained in detail the system of compiling employed by the board. In Anderson's statement it was evident figures and letters had been changed. These Anderson explained, saying some parishes had been misplaced by the clerk who, though he had some mistakes, explained them satisfactorily at the time. Witness produced a memorandum of the polls rejected and the reasons therefor. It shows 54 polls in 20 parishes thrown out and the parishes of Grant and East Feliciana. He did not know which party received a majority of the polls rejected, nor that every poll rejected gave a Democratic majority, nor that the supervisor of East Baton Rouge made his protest after making the returns to the board. The chairman read the original order for the production of all papers and stated that the committee only desired to inspect the originals and would return them. It was very necessary to be expeditious. Witness agreed to submit the matter to the board and refused to give up the original papers, they being records for inspection by the general assembly only.

Eli James, colored, constable of Ouachita parish, testified as before the returning board, Nov. 28; that while carrying the ballot box from Logtown poll to Monroe, an armed band of a hundred whites captured him and threatened to kill him. He escaped, leaving the ballot box in their hands, and taking some bullets in his body. Republicans had been obliged to go armed for self protection previous to the election. Republican meetings were held in Ouachita only when troops were present. The parish election was not fair and peaceable. Republican counsel introduced certificates of two physicians, saying Eliza Pinkston was sick in bed and moving would enlarge her complication of diseases and wounds. This was to contradict the story that she had run up the custom house steps when carried there on a litter to see the returning board.

The physician, Dr. Lewis, testified that Eaton Logwood was dangerously wounded in the lungs by a pistol ball. Logwood's wife testified that armed men had been at their house previous to the elections hunting him, but he was hidden in the woods.

These men returned a fourth time, and Eaton, who was in the house, escaped, but her brother-in-law and Primus Johnson, with a baby in her arms, were shot and fell dead at her feet. Witness burst into tears at these points, and the whole committee were visibly affected. The Democrats afterwards tried to make her believe that U. S. soldiers shot him. Her husband had four balls in the shoulder, one in the arm and one in the right side.

George Shelton, of Ouachita, testified that a young man named Willie Howard shot him as he came from a Democratic meeting, on account of a quarrel a year previous, when he interfered to protect a woman from Howard. During witness' sickness whites furnished him food and urged him to vote the Democratic ticket, which he did. He gave general testimony as to intimidation as a plan of operations.

White, Democratic counsel, moved that counsel on each side on Thursday furnish a list of witnesses whom they desire to summon, as a means of securing their attendance.

Senate Committee Investigation.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19.—The Senate committee met at half past eleven. The statement of votes rejected in each parish was read from the returning board. Senator McDonald made a motion that subpenas *duces tecum* issue to the returning board for all protests and affidavits accompanying consolidated statements of supervisors and returns of commissioners at each poll in each parish. Senator Howe, chairman, said he could not understand what figure the protests and affidavits which formed the basis of action of the returning board could cut in this investigation, unless the committee proposed to review the action of the board in an appellate capacity.

A Dying Declaration.

The *Times'* New Orleans special says Senators McMillan and Wadleigh repaired to the bedside of Eaton Laywood, who is sinking gradually from wounds received in October in Ouachita parish. This man is a colored Republican, and was shot in five places while in his own yard by members of the Democratic rifle club, who rode day and night. His dying statement which confirms what he has previously said before the returning board, greatly impressed the Senators who heard and saw him.

The Congressional Investigation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The *World's* New Orleans special says: In answer to an inquiry concerning a communication addressed to Speaker Randall, by Morrison, on the subject of obstacles placed in the way of the committee in procuring testimony and documents, and in relation to which communication Garfield received a telegram from Gen. Hurlbut saying Morrison's action was unknown and unauthorized by the committee, Morrison said: "My communication was not signed nor sent officially. It was simply a personal telegram informing Randall of the facts of the case, that he might advise with friends of the investigation in regard to them, in order that they might prevent an adjournment of the House for the holidays at the time when action might be required on the point. A report that the House was about to adjourn was very current at the time. Republican members of the committee openly stated the House was about to adjourn, leaving the inference that no action could be taken against reticent witnesses."

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco Stock Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.

EVENING BOARD—Valley 40c, R & E 31, Jackson 4, Belmont 2½, K & Con 3, Leopard 4¼, Panther 40c, Belle 30c, Jefferson 60c, Gila 50c, Hussey 3, Manhattan 15, City Gas 111, N Coso 53, Modoc 7½, G Chariot 2½, S Chariot 75c, Overman 119½, B & B 51, Con Va 45½, Caledonia 12½, Alpha 32, Ophir 32½, H & N 7½, S Nevada 11½, G & C 5½, S Belcher 85, California 49½, Mexican 21¼, Chollar 86.

Burning of the Steamer Montana.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Capt. Douglas, of the *Montana*, telegraphs the steamer took fire at 11:30 P. M., 14th inst., an hour after leaving Guaymas. The fire was discovered coming up the midships ventilator, and in five minutes the ship was ablaze aft. Ran her ashore two miles inside of Cape Haro to save the passengers and crew. No lives lost, but nothing on board was saved. Among the passengers were Lieut. King, U. S. army, and a number of recruits for military posts in Arizona. Quarters have been arranged for them at Guaymas. The authorities tender every assistance, and the American consul has provided for passengers and crew. The ship was burned to the water's edge and will be sold at auction. The *Montana* was a wooden screw steamer of 700 tons, built at Bath, Maine, in 1865; value, $70,000; insured for $60,000. She had a valuable cargo on board. Much of the freight consigned to Mexican ports was discharged before the disaster. The cargo at that time consisted of some goods for Gulf and Colorado river ports, about $47,000 worth of commissary stores and $8,000 worth of quartermaster's stores, for military posts in Arizona. Government had no insurance.

Split in the Bonanza.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—It is stated here to-day on apparently reliable authority that the much talked of split in the bonanza firm is an accomplished fact; that Mackey will draw out and go over to the Bank of California interest, taking Consolidated Virginia with him; that at the Con. Va. election which comes off on the 1st of January, he will contest the election against the regular ticket, and be prepared with sufficient stock to carry his point, and put the Bank of California crowd at the helm. It is said an effort will also be made to accomplish the same purpose with California at the coming election on the 19th prox., and that a visit of James R. Keene to the East is with the view of obtaining proxies to assist in the game.

Pacheco-Wigginton Contest.

The Pacheco-Wigginton matter came up in the 12th district court to-day on motion of intervention by the former to prevent the issue of a certificate of election to the latter, but was laid over until Tuesday next, on account of the illness of Judge Dangerfield. Meantime it seems well settled that an effort will be made to take the case directly before the supreme court by agreement and have it decided by the highest authority without further delay.

Lady Bryan in Trouble.

The much talked of meeting of Lady Bryan Mining Co. was held this afternoon. A large crowd of dissatisfied stockholders was present, headed by their counsel Mr. Lloyd. The company was represented by Judge Heydenfeldt. The secretary announced that 90,117 shares were represented, and that the business before the meeting was to elect a board of trustees for the coming year. He also read a report from the superintendent. Mr. Lloyd asked if there was no secretary's report of the receipts and disbursements. Mr. McClintock said there was not; that his books and papers had been abstracted from his office between the 5th and 6th of December, and that he had no data upon which to base a report. Mr. Lloyd then raised the point that the meeting had been illegally called under the code and asked for a copy of the by-laws of the company. The secretary reported that he had no copy of the by-laws and could not find any in the office. An officer then served President Minear, the secretary and trustees with a copy of injunction and summons issued by Judge Wheeler, of the 19th district court, restraining them from holding an election, from collecting any further assessment and exercising any further control of the company. It also cites them to appear and show cause on Thursday morning why injunction should not be made permanent, and a receiver appointed to administer the company's affairs.

The Silver Question.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—A number of prominent business men of Virginia City have signed an address to the Nevada Senators, Sharon and Jones, asking their co-operation in obtaining the passage by Congress of a bill providing for the issue of legal tender silver notes, with a view to restoring the value of silver as a circulating medium.

Paid for the Loss of a Husband.

PLACERVILLE, Dec. 20.—A $10,000 verdict was awarded Miss Mary A. Kennedy this evening, in a suit for breach of promise against C. W. Brewster. The case has been on trial for eight days, exciting unusual interest. The courtroom was constantly crowded with ladies. Both parties to the suit move in the first circles of society. The claim was for $30,000.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

From Stikine Mines.

VICTORIA, Dec. 20.—The steamer *Gussie Telfair* arrived from Fort Wrangel last night, bringing about 30 passengers. The Stikine river was closed with ice, but the weather was mild. No snow has fallen. There is no news from the mines. New diggings are reported to have been discovered about sixty miles west of Wrangel, which pay $7 dollars per day to the hand.

Sentenced to the Chain-gang.

Two men, convicted here of pawning the clothing of dead small-pox patients, were sentenced to-day to one year and six months in the chain-gang.

Martin, convicted of assaulting a constable in Alaska Territory, while being conducted from Cassiar to jail in Victoria, was sentenced to a year and nine months' imprisonment.

THE TERRITORIES.

At the late election Washington Territory cast 9,904 votes.

Fourteen steamboats arrive at and depart from Seattle on each Monday.

The Renton and Seattle coal companies take out about 500 tons of coal per day.

T. H. Rollins of Rocky Point, Idaho, has completed a ten-stamp mill, and is now pounding away.

Mrs. Charlotte Gildow, of Island county, W. T., has lately been sent to the Steilacoom insane asylum.

The *Tribune* says: The coal prospect already opening for 1877 is of the brightest possible promise for Seattle.

One firm at Walla Walla has killed 500 hogs this season and expects to slaughter another 500 before spring.

The weight of the mail carried on the route from Walla Walla to Spokane has more than doubled during the past season.

The Snohomish country, in Washington Territory, bids fair to rival the Puyallup region in the production of hops.

A Boise city man named King brutally stabbed and cut an old man named Peter Jennings with an ax, last week, and was fined $50 therefor.

GENERAL NEWS.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE OREGONIAN.)

Gold and Stocks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Gold closed at [illegible]; silver nominal, 121@121½ per ounce; money dull, 5; governments active, steady; stocks dull, steady.

Another Fire at Little Rock.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 19.—Another fire broke out in the block, corner Markham and Scott streets, which threatens the whole eastern business part of the city. The utmost excitement prevails. At nine o'clock four engines were playing on the fire. The block seems doomed. If it is destroyed, the loss will be $150,000.

10 P. M.—The walls of brick are crumbling. It is the largest wholesale house in Arkansas. The flames can not be checked yet, and there is no telling what destruction will ensue. The fire is believed to have been the work of an incendiary.

10:30—It is under control and confined to one block, although those adjoining are considerably damaged by fire and water.

Heavy Losses by Fire.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 19.—The loss by fire last night is estimated at $100,000; insurance less than half. In the past six weeks the losses by fire in this city have been $350,000.

Incendiarism.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 20.—It is believed the late fires have been the result of incendiarism, and great vigilance will be exercised in the protection of property here. The insurance on the property destroyed last night was $72,000; total loss, $150,000.

Railway Item.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The *Commercial Advertiser* says it is announced that the original land grant of the Hannibal and St. Joseph railroad, has been unextinguished, and the trustees have turned over to the company over $2,500,000 of land sales notes, and about 80,000 or 90,000 acres of unsold lands. The 8 per cent convertible mortgage bonds of the company advanced on this announcement to 89 per cent, and both classes of stock are higher this afternoon.

Indian Depredations.

HOT CREEK, Wy., Dec. 20.—Four freight teams, accompanied by five men, were attacked by Indians in camp on Indian creek, six miles north of this place, about 9 o'clock last night. Three of the party escaped and arrived here at midnight barefooted and half clothed. A detachment of soldiers and a party of citizens repaired to the scene of the fight early this morning and found the bodies of two men, B. C. Stephens, of Salt Lake, and a German named Fritz, from Colorado, horribly mutilated with a butcher's cleaver, taken from one of the wagons. The contents of the wagons were scattered over the ground, flour and corn in piles, as it had been emptied from the sacks. The horses are missing and forty bullet holes were in one wagon. Some found are of Sharp's rifle cartridges. The dead were brought here and buried.

Two hundred and forty-eight Arapahoe and Sioux scouts from the agencies, in charge of Louis Richards, a half-breed, passed here Sunday en route to join Crook.

A Desperate Lover.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 19.—A young man named Bond, having been ordered from the house by J. D. Hill, of [illegible], whose daughter he was visiting, returned with a pistol and shot him six times, causing death. He then dragged Miss Hill over her father's dead body, to a minister's, and insisted on having the marriage ceremony performed. After other desperate deeds he escaped from the posse which followed him.

Fatal Explosion on a Steamer.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The tug boat [illegible] *Neafie*, while off shore about 10 miles this morning blew up, killing the captain, deck hands and steward. The engineer and fireman were rescued.

Notable Death.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 20.—Henry W. Green, ex-chancellor and eminent jurist, died last night.

American Banker Captured by Revolutionists.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19.—A dispatch from Fort Davis says Mexican revolutionists have captured a Mr. Miller, American banker, at Chihuahua, and demanded $8,000 in gold as ransom for his release. Col. Andrews, with a force of infantry, cavalry and artillery, has gone to his rescue. The revolutionists are reported 400 strong, and have threatened to shoot Miller if they can't hold him. A fight is inevitable.

A Serious Collision.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec 20.—A serious collision occurred this afternoon between a passenger train and a mixed train on the Boston, Barre and Gardner railroad, near Princeton station. One person was killed, one fatally injured and twenty somewhat hurt. Responsibility not placed.

All About the Ponies.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 20.—The remnant of Indian ponies, taken from the Sioux at Standing Rock, have arrived and will be sold. Of the 1,300 captured only about 400 arrived. Of the balance some have died en route, but most of them have been stolen or sold by herders. They have been systematically followed during the whole journey by thieves and a number run off every night.

Fire Proof Theater Scenery.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Interesting experiments were made at Wallack's theater yesterday in presence of city officers. The fire proof scenery was submitted to fierce flames for several minutes without igniting. Dion Boucicault conducted the experiments. The material used for rendering the scenery fire proof were a solution of tungstate (?) of soda and afterwards silicate of soda. The entire theater can be made fire proof for a hundred dollars. More experiments will follow.

The Indian Policy.

The *Tribune's* Washington special of 19th inst. says, the President, in conversation to-day, said that the progress of population and occupation of the Territories is so rapid it is necessary to adopt a different policy so far as geographical location of tribes is concerned. He thought the useful occupation of the public domain for purposes of agriculture more important than that they should be kept as hunting grounds for savages. He said it is better for the Indians, and certainly more economical for the government, to gather all Indian nations and tribes as rapidly as possible within the limits of one designated territory where they may be protected from encroachments by whites, and be more effectually prevented from further war and devastation upon the settlements.

Shall the Fast Mail be Restored.

The *Times'* Washington special says: The postal railway commission will present Congress to-morrow a portion of the evidence embodied in their report. It is full of valuable information on the subject of fast mail service, and will show that the voice of the people is overwhelmingly in favor of its reestablishment.

All the morning journals continue the onslaught on the Pennsylvania railway fast mail service. The *Tribune* and *Times* call it openly a swindle.

Marriage in High Life.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Geo. C. Gorham, Secretary of the U. S. Senate, was married this evening to Miss Ellie E. Bassett, of this city. President pro tem of the Senate Ferry, and Mr. Flagg, principal journal clerk, acted as groomsmen. There was a very large attendance of friends at the church where the ceremony was performed, including the larger portion of the Senators.

A Kanaka employed in the Port Blakely mill, while at work just previous to the time of shutting down the mill, got his left foot caught by some means in the machinery, and before he could extricate himself the toes and fore part of his foot were mangled fearfully by the saw. Upon examination the doctor found an amputation of the fore part of the foot necessary.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.

Windom, from the committee on appropriations, reported, [illegible] amended the invalid pension bill for the year ending June, 1878, placed upon the calendar.

The chair presented to the Secretary of State a communication transmitting a list of persons not U. S. citizens, holding consular offices, to whom salaries were paid during the fiscal year ending June, 1876; ordered printed and tabled.

A number of bills were passed. Objections being made to bring up Cameron's resolution for adjournment, both houses from Friday to January [illegible], Cameron withdrew the motion.

After the morning hour, Boutwell and Dawes formally presented the statues of Samuel Adams and John Winthrop.

Wright [illegible] he would, immediately after the morning hour Friday, move to consider the Senate [illegible] declaring the true intent and meaning of the Pacific railroad act, approved July 1, 1862, July 2, [illegible], and July 3, 1866.

[illegible]'s resolution of investigation of the appointment of Cronin, was taken up and discussed by Mitchell, Morton and Bogy. The latter did not think it was proper to ventilate the character of Gov. Grover, who apparently did his duty honestly and faithfully. How could Watts be elected when the constitution said he could not? Votes given him were a nullity. Grover would certify to falsehood [illegible] giving him a certificate.

Before Bogy concluded the Senate adjourned.

House.

The judiciary committee reported, favoring Congress' power to compel the production of telegrams; Hurd made a minority report, which asserts that a description of telegrams should accompany demands.

Knott offered a substitute declaring telegrams have no more privilege than oral or other letters, [illegible] must be produced when called for.

Wood from the [illegible] committee, reported a resolution for the adjournment of the House from next Saturday to Wednesday, the 27th, [illegible] from Saturday, the 30th, to January 3d.

Wilson suggested that such adjournment was unfair to Western members, who might wish to spend the holidays at home, besides it seriously interrupted business.

Wood said the committee had reached this decision after mature deliberation. He moved the previous question, which the House seconded, and the main question was ordered.

Wood explained that the committee understood no business would be done between Friday next and January 3.

Burchard, of the committee, said some members thought [illegible]

[illegible]

Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.

[illegible]

[illegible] He would not vote to place in the Presidential chair a Democratic candidate upon Cronin's vote. He accused Mitchell of being exercised at a very small thing in the Oregon case and yet approving all southern frauds. He read a letter of Long, Republican candidate for the Louisiana legislature, declining to receive an election from the returning board, saying his opponent was fairly elected. [illegible] representatives [illegible] people would not afford to do wrong. The President was reported as saying he would deliver the government to Hayes, if the latter was declared elected. The President had nothing to do with it. The people's good sense would see justice done. He argued the President of the Senate has no more right to count the votes than a page, unless chosen as the President of the joint convention.

Sherman questioned if the returning board returned Long to the Louisiana Assembly. The solid will of the people of Oregon had been fairly expressed for Hayes, and he was entitled to three electoral votes there. He would apply the same rule to Florida which was governed by their [illegible] law. If Hayes became satisfied he had not a majority of the legal votes of Florida and Louisiana, he would not accept the Presidency and he (Sherman) would not want him to. He argued that the Louisiana board was legally constituted, and its returns remained unimpeached. He was satisfied he spoke Governor Hayes' sentiments in saying that if that gentleman should become convinced the returning board of Louisiana or Florida had acted wrong, he would make no claim to the office of President. Such proof was wanting. He could show from evidence now before the Senate that the vote of Louisiana should be fairly counted for Hayes. Adjourned.

House.

The Speaker said there was a gentleman in the city bringing congratulations from the Irish people to the Americans on account of the Centennial year.

Holman asked unanimous consent to offer a resolution reciting that J. O'Connor Power, M. P., was deputed to present the Irish congratulations and referring the subject to the foreign committee, with instructions to report necessary action.

Terry, from committee on military affairs, reported a bill providing for the payment of certain improvements on land now embraced in the Fort Cameron military reservation, Utah Territory; passed.

Piper introduced a bill granting to the Alaska Ship-building and Lumber Company the right to occupy certain lands in Alaska.

Lane, from committee on public lands, reported a bill for the sale of desert lands in California; ordered printed and recommitted.

Holman's resolution about Irish congratulations was, after discussion, adopted.

Platt then asked unanimous consent for the introduction of a resolution of inquiry into the charge of Hewitt against the New York postoffice.

Luttrell objected.

Chittenden asked leave to introduce for reference to the banking committee, a bill for funding the legal tenders.

Holman objected.

It provides, first, that the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized to withdraw, as soon as necessary preparations can be made, U. S. legal tender notes whenever presented, and issue therefor dollar for dollar, face value, coupon or registered U. S. bonds in spirit of the original act provided the bonds authorized by the act shall be payable in gold forty years from January 1, 1877, and bear four per cent. interest, payable quarterly in gold; second, that bonds authorized by this act shall be available for U. S. Treasury deposit; third, that legal tenders received in exchange for these bonds shall be destroyed.

Holman made a conference report on the bill providing for the expenses of investigating committees, which was agreed to.

The trials of Geo. W. Boulden and John Souers, accused of mail robbery, and Jas. Trask, charged with mail bag and changing the quality of [illegible], commenced on the 11th at [illegible]

CITIZENS MEETING AT ASHLAND.

ASHLAND, Ogn., D[illegible]

TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN:

The citizens of Ashland held a [illegible] the evening of the 16th instant [illegible] lic expression of their views [illegible] late illegal and revolutionary acts [illegible] Grover and Secretary Chadwick [illegible] nouncement called forth a large [illegible] The meeting was organized by the [illegible] James Kilgore as chairman, [illegible] stated the causes which had called [illegible] together. The following [illegible] then presented for adoption:

WHEREAS, We hold that [illegible] quiescence in the will of a [illegible] tionally and legally expressed [illegible] citizen, and that any appeal [illegible] to the proper judiciary [illegible] and treasonable; and

WHEREAS, L. F. Grover [illegible] S. F. Chadwick, [illegible] issue certificates of [illegible] Presidential electors [illegible] certificate to said E. A. C[illegible] a popular majority [illegible] oaths of office and [illegible] for which they [illegible] bar of outraged [illegible]

Resolved, That we [illegible] and S. F. Chadwick [illegible] constitution [illegible] support and [illegible] support of [illegible]

Resolved, That [illegible] E. A. Cronin and [illegible] the attempted [illegible] upon the [illegible] everywhere, and [illegible] profit or trust.

Resolved, That the [illegible] and are hereby [illegible] copy of the same to [illegible] he be requested to [illegible] with available evidence [illegible] L. F. Grover from [illegible] tive of the people of [illegible] Senate, where [illegible] laws and [illegible] power and [illegible] vote.

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Other than the above we can only refer the people of Oregon for reference to the [illegible] still live," and the further fact that [illegible] the laws of Oregon, not only our bank [illegible] (including office fixtures) are pledged for the [illegible] of our liabilities, but every dollar of [illegible] fortunes are liable to the bank [illegible] private fortunes, too, are "limited." A [illegible] gests that our office fixtures are [illegible] is trying to "bear" our credit, and we [illegible] against him.

[illegible]

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The [illegible] Oregonian.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 21, 1876.

IN RE SEVERAL PORTLAND LAWYERS.

The people of Ashland have held a meeting to express their sense of the wrong done by the Governor and Secretary of State in counting the electoral vote of Oregon. We publish this morning a report of the proceedings of the meeting, from which it will be seen that the indignation of Ashland, or of that part of it which attended the meeting, reaches beyond the decision of the Secretary and Governor, and embraces, as well, the lawyers who presented the legal points in the case. We have never been able to appreciate the arguments on which the Governor and Secretary relied to sustain their jurisdiction over the matter; and the opinion given by a jurist of such acknowledged ability as Judge O. C. Pratt, in support of their position, has not been sufficient to convert us from the belief that they exceeded their lawful authority when they assumed judicial powers. It is, therefore, no surprise to us that people who believe as we do on this branch of the case—and especially people who, not being lawyers, have not been so accustomed as the lawyers are to seeing equally absurd decisions made by courts of justice—should feel themselves called upon to give public expression to their disapproval of the act.

But when they go so far as to denounce as dishonorable and unworthy the lawyers who presented the legal question, it [illegible] their proceedings are subject [illegible]. A lawyer who believed, [illegible] Pratt, that Cronin was legally [illegible] the certificate and that the [illegible] Governor had power under [illegible] to determine upon his [illegible] him the certificate, acted [illegible] the legitimate and proper [illegible] profession when he took [illegible] to argue the question before [illegible]. There were one or more lawyers [illegible] Ashland meeting, and we venture [illegible] that there was not a lawyer [illegible] would not take employment to [illegible] any tribunal which he thought [illegible] demand a certificate [illegible] office, for any man, of [illegible] considered legally en[illegible] unless he was [illegible] party standing would be [illegible] political prospects [illegible] damaged. We make it still [illegible] here is not a lawyer [illegible] who would not do so, unless [illegible] the selfish motive suggested. [illegible] A lawyer who holds his [illegible] merely ancillary to his [illegible] politician, would be careful [illegible] his party. We venture to [illegible] that a popular meeting [illegible] itself to denounce [illegible] such men as Judge Strong, [illegible] the firm of Thayer [illegible] Effinger and [illegible] all of whom made [illegible] of the right of Cronin [illegible] election, and all [illegible] profession, and of high [illegible] in this city where they [illegible] to the world what [illegible] are likely to do [illegible] the inspiration of [illegible] prejudices, and not [illegible] of intelligent and [illegible]

[illegible]AN COAL.

[illegible] year nearly the en[illegible] Portland has come [illegible] Wales. A half dozen [illegible] sold here at prices [illegible] to $[illegible] per ton, duties [illegible] large number of English ships [illegible] to this port and San [illegible] with grain for England, [illegible] to buy coal in Australia [illegible] at five or six dollars per [illegible] same in ballast.

[illegible] measures of New South Wales [illegible] the 29th to the 35th parallel [illegible]. Sydney is the center [illegible] the coal having [illegible] one hundred miles to [illegible] and to the west. [illegible] are so vast that two [illegible] over them at dis[illegible] from Sydney, which [illegible] railway runs through [illegible] throughout its entire length. [illegible] fifty miles south of the [illegible] principal shipping point. [illegible] of the British navy sta[illegible] Pacific are all supplied with [illegible], in the markets of India [illegible] competes with the English, [illegible] were in Oregon and in Cal[illegible] competing with American [illegible] at prices much lower than [illegible] can possibly mine it for. [illegible] it is bought by the cargo at [illegible] per ton. The steady increase [illegible] shown by the following sta[illegible]

	Tons.		Tons.
[illegible]	[illegible]00	1872	1,012 426
[illegible]	67,820	1873	1,192 862
[illegible]	[illegible] 087	1874	1,304,567
[illegible]	[illegible],79[illegible]		

[illegible] the last eleven months the [illegible] of Sydney coal sold in San Fran[illegible] amounted to 124,163 tons—the quan[illegible] of Washington Territory coal (Bel[illegible] Bay and Seattle) was only 101,-[illegible]

[illegible] principle mines are located back of [illegible] and within 15 or 20 miles of the [illegible]. Newcastle has a fine harbor, which [illegible] carrying upwards of 2000 tons can [illegible] enter. The "Averill," the "Agri[illegible]," the "Australian," and other [illegible] colleries are operated by English [illegible], and with comparatively cheap [illegible], and employ an immense money [illegible]. They are operated on the most [illegible] mining principles, and can pro[illegible] coal much cheaper than our Pacific coal mines, and since such large quantities are liable to be brought here in ballast by grain ships for years to come, it is likely it will seriously interfere with the development of the coal interest in Washington Territory and Oregon. Coal lands [illegible] not be developed here without the in[illegible] of profit, and no profit can be made [illegible] mining coal on the Pacific coast if it has [illegible] into competition with a first-class [illegible] that is sold at $5 per ton.

[illegible] Seattle and Bellingham Bay col[illegible], although in operation for six years [illegible], have never yet, we are informed, paid a dividend to the stockholders; and they are not likely to for years to come if they are to be met by this ever increasing competition from New South Wales.

We remarked yesterday that some of the authorities cited by Governor Grover to sustain his action in the electoral vote case, do not support him. For proof of this we call attention to the case of *Crawford vs Dunbar*, decided by the supreme court of California very recently. The governor cites this case as authority for the proposition that "votes cast for a person ineligible, or a person incapable of being chosen, are nullities." The court, in that case, held exactly the contrary doctrine. Counsel for Dunbar insisted that such was the law, but the court overruled the point, and held that while votes cast for a person who was ineligible could not be counted for the purpose of electing him, they were *not* nullities, and must be taken into consideration as affecting the right of the minority candidate to the office; and on this opinion the judgment of the court was based, *denying* the office to the minority candidate, and *declaring the office vacant*. Justice to the governor requires us to state that this case is cited by him in that part of his opinion in which the discussion is directed particularly to the question of Watts' right to the office; but still the fact remains that the court did not decide that the votes cast for the ineligible candidate were "nullities," but exactly the reverse.

The Springfield (Mass.) *Republican*, in its prospectus just issued for the New Year, lays down in a single sentence the best platform that a political journal can adopt. It says:

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The San Francisco *Chronicle* returns to the attack on Judge Deady, publishing a long and scurrilous communication from David M. Hanson, accusing the judge of persecuting Frank Tompkins and the others who were convicted with him of robbing the mails. We are not disposed to follow this matter to *the extent of replying to everything which the malice of these people may prompt them to say; but it is proper that the public be placed in possession of such facts as will enable them to form a correct estimate of the character of those from whom the infamous slanders spring.* This man Hanson says he was engaged some months in working up the case for the convicts; but he conceals the fact *that he is the brother of one of them.* That fact explains his malice, and suggests what credit is to be given his statements. His story is a falsehood from beginning to end, as is well known in this community where the facts in the case are familiar to all.

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On which occasion will be produced the greatest Sensational Drama of the age, in 7 acts, entitled

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LOUISE, the blind girl, with songs......Miss ANNIE FIRMIN
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New Scenes, New Music, New Costumes, New Properties, etc.

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CHRISTMAS BALL.

The First Annual Ball, under the auspices of

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Will be given at

TURN HALLE,

ON

MONDAY, DEC. 25, 1876.

Honorary Committee.

ELI MORRILL, Sachem, Multnomah No. 3,
A. SCHUMAN, Sachem, Willamette No. 6,
E. J. JEFFERY, Rep. Great Council U. S.,
J. H. PILKINGTON, M. D., P. A.,
Le F. A. SHAW, Past Great Sachem.
W. H. UTTER, Great District Deputy.
G. FRANZ, P. S.

Committee of Arrangements.

W. A. HART, S. S., M. G. BROWN, J. S.,
JAS. C. LIDDY, P., H. HYDE, 1st S.,
WM. CHURCH, S.,

Reception Committee.

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E. MENDENHALL, G. HUDSCHER.

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WM. CHURCH, I. HYDE,
C. C. ZELL[illegible], JAS. C. LIDDY.
THEO. BARKER,

No expense will be spared to make this the ball of the season.

TICKETS......$1 50

Can be procured from members of the Committee of Arrangements or at the Door.

MUSIC furnished by Northwestern Band, assisted by Prof. Kay's String Band.
Prof. C. C. PARRISH, Prompter.
SUPPER furnished by "KAO," the popular Caterer.

CHRISTMAS BALL

AND

DRAMATIC ENTERTAINMENT,

under the auspices of the

Portland Turn Verein,

Will be given at

TURNER HALLE,

ON

Tuesday, December 26, 1876.

TICKETS (Gentleman and Ladies)......$1 50.

Can be had of the undersigned Committee and at the Door.

Entertainment to commence at 8 o'clock. Dancing at 9 o'clock.

Committee:

P. WAGNER, F. F. YORTER,
G. CASTENDIECK, FRITZ KALLERS.
HERMAN BURNOW,

A GRAND DRESS [illegible] BALL

Will be given on

FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 29, 1876,

IN THE OLD CLUB ROOM

One door south of the Hoonn House.

In order to make this a Select Ball the proprietors will distribute invitations in person. [illegible]

DANCING SCHOOL

Prof. D. K. HAUSBECHER

Has opened his Dancing School, at

CITY RIFLES HALL.

Children's Classes Saturday afternoon.

GRAND SOIREE every SATURDAY Evening.

DRY GOODS, MILLINERY, ETC.

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NEW

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A LARGE STOCK OF

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In all the New Shades, at 25c per yd. and upwards.

FINE FRENCH BLACK CASHMERES, 40 in. wide, $1 per yd.

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1000 Articles of FANCY GOODS, too numerous to mention.

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MRS. E. S. WEISS,

No. 50 Morrison St., Butterick's Pattern Agency.

HAS JUST RECEIVED A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT of HAIR GOODS, which she is offering at astonishingly reasonable prices.

Price List—Finest Quality Hair Switches.

22 inches	2½ ounces weight		$5 00
24 "	3 "	"	8 00
26 "	3½ "	"	10 00
26 "	4 "	"	12 00
28 "	4½ "	"	15 00
30 "	5 "	"	20 00

A handsome collection of CURLS in rare shades. The Marguerite Wave is the latest novelty.

She begs to announce that having made arrangements with a first-class Wig-maker, she is prepared to receive orders for every kind of Wig. nldlm

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Dry Goods, Millinery, Notions.

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Fall and Winter Styles

LADIES' GENTLEMEN'S and CHILDREN'S UNDERCLOTHING.

30d1m

WANTS.

[illegible] WANTED.

[illegible] BOOKKEEPER OR SALESMAN. IN [illegible] and Factoring establishment preferred. Will loan $1,000 or $2,000, as the case may be. Address W. L. A., Lock Box 206, Salem, Oregon. d20d2w

HOUSE WANTED.

BY A [illegible], A HOUSE IN VICINITY OF POST OFFICE, [illegible] boarding, would [illegible] to lease for year or more, rent [illegible] Address S. H. W., this office.

MEN AND WOMEN MAKE FROM $8 to $15 per day selling our beautiful and popular OIL CHROMOS. If you want to make money do not fail to send $3 for one [illegible] containing 22 large and quick selling Chromos. Largest variety in the world. F. [illegible]NSON, Jun'r, N. W. corner Kearny and [illegible] sts, San Francisco. 211m&w [illegible]

WANTED.

2,000 TWO THOUSAND DRESSED HOGS, of the Best Grain Fed, heavy and light, for which the Highest Market Price will be paid, in large or small lots. Delivered at the Pork House of HARVEY & BARBER, 130 Main street.

Portland, Nov. 8, 1876.

TO LET.

FOR RENT.

[illegible] W. [illegible] RESIDENCE FURNISHED [illegible] complete with [illegible]. Beautiful grounds surrounding the residence. Rent low. See Dekum & [illegible]. d12d1m

[illegible]

SIX SUITS OF [illegible] FINISHED ROOMS ON the corner of Front and Washington streets, in Fire-proof building, at from six to eight dollars per month, suitable for offices or private rooms. See [illegible] d19d1m

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A HOUSE TO RENT,

CORNER OF THIRD AND MARKET STREETS. Enquire at [illegible] HOUSE, or to L. PAR[illegible] [illegible]

TO RENT.

[illegible] ROOMS TO RENT BY THE DAY or week, with due accommodation of the Pa[illegible]. Cor. Front and Ash sts. o21d

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THE STORE AND DWELLING, NOW OCCUPIED by J. Beex, at Freeport, Cowlitz county, W. T., together with small stock of Goods and Fixtures. A person with small capital can do a safe and profitable business at this place. d7d&w1m

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SITUATED ON THE COLUMBIA RIVER, TWO [illegible], opposite Vancouver, [illegible] miles from Portland. The Farm consists of [illegible] acres [illegible] in cultivation and a good stock range, besides an excellent orchard. On the Farm are a [illegible] barn and warehouse in good condition, also good water. The Stock includes [illegible] head of [illegible], [illegible] horses, sheep and hogs, [illegible] farming utensils complete. Will be sold at a reasonable figure. Apply on the premises. [illegible] STEPHENS.

[illegible] FOR SALE.

[illegible] ONE STORE BUILDING, [illegible] stock of Goods, [illegible] and stock in Warehouse, at Chehalis Station, W. P. R. R., County Seat of Lewis county, [illegible] acres of [illegible] land [illegible] on [illegible] river, very [illegible] growth of timber. [illegible] of Chehalis Station. For particulars and terms inquire of [illegible] J. HO[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] BOOKS,

STANDARD POETS,

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[illegible] Silver Writing Desks.

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Paper [illegible]

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[illegible]

FANCY GOODS!

[illegible]

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[illegible]

CHAS. [illegible] & CO.

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Their New Store,

NO. 107 FIRST STREET,

ON

Wednesday, December 13,

With an entirely new Stock of

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CLOTHING.

Also a complete line of

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To all of which they call the attention of the public generally.

Those in want of a SUIT OF CLOTHING or an OVERCOAT for the Holidays, will do well to give them a call.

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FOR THE HOLIDAYS,

STEINWAY

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ORGANS!

[illegible] IN THE WORLD!

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HAVE BEEN AWARDED A MEDAL AND [illegible] at the Centennial Exposition and [illegible]

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[illegible] KITTLE & CO., San Francisco, Agents for Pacific Coast.

AUCTION! AUCTION!

W. [illegible] Licensed Pawnbroker, Washington street, between First [illegible], [illegible] watches, jewelry, revolvers and other articles [illegible] will sell during the holidays [illegible] will find [illegible] as his terms will [illegible] half on [illegible] lowest live [illegible] strictly private. [illegible] every description bought and [illegible]

DR. GLISAN

[illegible] HAS REMOVED TO TROW[illegible] [illegible] corner of First and Alder, [illegible] January 1st, 1877. d15d1m

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FUR TRIMMINGS

STOVES.

NOTICE.

MORNING, DEC. 21, 1876.

CITY.

—Ballast which is port by the vessels that carry grain to supply the market the staff of life, is being advantageous manner great of some of our streets. of stone and sand ballast in filling up Couch's lake, and encroachments thus made have limits of that body of water But more real and perma in the use of stone ballast the streets of the city. are the most solid and en consequently the most econom kind of pavement which Such thoroughfares never very little expense and in good repair, and in the such as visited the city in macadam roads *never float*. note that E street, which almost impassable during is being macadamized by

Last Tuesday afternoon an San Francisco to the West graph Company's office in to have a condensed synop decision in the Watts words, sent to that city, before the operators com a countermanding order to have the *entire* decision work of transmitting about commenced at 7:30 o'clock completed before 2 o'clock A. Messrs. Wm. Leahy, Frank Leahy—performed each other at regular in a rather remarkable feat in no little credit on the who accomplished the know how to manip and are an *ornament* to the

—A very large anchor port on the steamer *Ajax*, O. S. S. Co.'s dock. It the large English ship this port, and will soon be There are sixty attached to this ponderous The anchor alone weighs and all weigh about

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20, 1876. C. J. Hendry vs the U. S. argument closed and cause

COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR MEETING, DEC. 20, 1876.

The common council of the city of Portland met pursuant to ordinance, His Honor Mayor J. A. Chapman presiding.

Present—W. S. Caldwell, clerk; Capt. Sloan, *ex of.* chief of police, and councilmen Andrus, Blumauer, Corbett, Harrington, Lambert, Skidmore, Stemme, Stephens, Wiley.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, ETC.

The following petition was read:

To the honorable Mayor and Common Council of the city of Portland: We the undersigned, tax payers of the city of Portland, do most respectfully remonstrate against the city assessment returned by the city assessor, as being incorrect, injudicious and injurious to us as citizens. The general rate at which property is assessed shows such a glaring disparity between it and the county and State assessments as to give the impression outside the city that the county and State assessment was made to avoid our just share of the taxes, whereas we believe the county and state assessment is in the main just and equitable, considering the general depression in business and the falling off in the price of real estate. We most respectfully ask your honorable body to cause such a general and thorough revision of the city assessment as shall be just and equitable, and be as nearly in uniformity with the State and county taxes as consistent with equity and justice.

The above petition was referred to the committee on ways and means.

The petition of J. M. Dyer, asking permission to rebuild a wooden building in the fire limits, was read and referred to the committee on fire and water.

The petition of C. P. Bacon, asking the raising of the grade on Stark street, was read and referred to the committee on streets and public property.

The petition of W. S. Chapman, asking that he be allowed $60 as part of his compensation as city assessor; read and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The petition of A. Bushwiler, asking that the council order certain ordinances printed in the City Directory; read and referred to the judiciary committee.

The petition of P. E. Hyland and others, asking that a street lamp be erected at the corner of E and Seventh streets; read and referred to the judiciary committee.

The petition of ——, asking the refunding of $5 50 balance due him, arising from the sale of estrays, was read and the amount ordered paid.

The remonstrance of H. McKinnell and others, against putting in a sewer on Main street, was read and referred to the committee on streets and public property.

The remonstrance of L. A. Goddard and others against the proposed improvement of Morrison street, was read and referred to the same committee.

The remonstrances against the improvement of South Fourth, and also against the improvement of the intersections of Morrison and Alder streets, were read and referred to the committee on streets and public property.

The committee on ways and means submitted the following report:

To the Honorable the Common Council: The undersigned have had under consideration the assessment roll, returned by the city assessor, December 1, 1876, and respectfully beg leave to report:

The assessed valuation of property is as follows—

Lands and lots	$6,780,550
Improvements thereon	[illegible]
Personal property	5,826,680
Total valuation	$17,649,230
Indebtedness	2,058,680
Net valuation	$15,590,550

The valuation of the assessment roll of the year previous was—

Lands and lots	$3,562,300
Improvements	2,506,800
Personal property	4,112,050
Total valuation	$10,179,850
Indebtedness	2,719,450
Net valuation	$7,460,300

It is evident that one or both of these assessments must be erroneous, the roll filed December 1, 1876, showing an increase of valuation of—

Lands and lots	[illegible]
Improvements	[illegible]
Personal property	2,718,[illegible]
Indebtedness, decrease	660,770
Total net increase (108 98-100ths ⅌ cent)	$8,130,250

The tax levied on the roll, returned December, 1875, was 8 5-10ths mills. A tax of 3 46-1000ths mills on the roll 1876 would produce the same revenue, provided no changes were made.

The valuations for indebtedness will, however, be very materially increased, judging from the applications already [illegible].

It is hardly necessary to remind you that the market value of [illegible] property has not increased during the past year, in fact the small number of sales effected during the year, renders it difficult to determine what is a true cash value.

We are clearly of the opinion, that there is a necessity for a thorough revision and reduction of valuations of lands, lots and improvements, with some exceptions. The expressed views of a large number of tax payers, many of whom are familiar with the subject of taxation, are to the same effect.

For purposes of municipal taxation, the listing of property at its cash valuation is not only the law, but for many reasons preferable to a low assessment. Care, however, should be taken not to exceed a fair market value, and especially that all values be made proportionate and uniform. With some exceptions the valuations of personal property cannot safely be disturbed except upon application of the parties interested. Owing to circumstances within your knowledge, the time allowed the assessor in which to make his returns was very short, and to this cause may be ascribed in a great measure any lack of uniformity that may exist.

We recommend that the Council provide by ordinance,

1st. For a revision and reduction of the valuation placed by the assessor upon lands, lots and improvements, to a basis which will be accepted as a fair cash valuation, and that the provisions of section 2 of ordinance No. 1113 requiring the filing of claims for reduction, be suspended until further notice, except as to personal property.

2d. That the notice required by section 2 of said ordinance be withdrawn until the completion of such revision, and that the notice be then renewed, and applications or revisions received as provided by section 3, for thirty days from the date of said notice.

3d. That the operation of so much of section 4 of said ordinance as requires all alterations and corrections to be reported to the Common Council, be suspended for the time being.

E. J. W. STEMME,
S. G. SKIDMORE,
JOS. R. WILEY,
Committee on Ways and Means.

The committee on streets and public property reported adversely to the petition of the O. & C. R. R. Co. asking leave to lay a side track on South Fourth street; report adopted.

The city attorney reported on the cases in the circuit court of Multnomah county vs. W. H. Adams and W. H. Adams vs. Multnomah county, which was read and referred to the judiciary committee.

CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY.

The following claims against the city were ordered paid: Park & Lacy, $2; T. A. Davis & Co., $39 99; N. S. Hart, $4; Plasterer, $6 50; Oregonian Publishing Co., $6; A. Hamilton, (four bills) $528 72; W. H. Butts, $209 30; M. S. Hart, $29 60; P. Gilbert, $9; B. Nathan, $12 00; James Ellison, $25; John O'Neil, $20 77; J. R. Brigham, $31 75.

ORDINANCES.

An ordinance to provide for revising and correcting the city assessment roll, and suspending the operation of ordinance 1,113, was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance appropriating $500 to pay for the city assessment made by W. S. Chapman, was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance to provide the time and manner of improving Pine street, between Second and Fifth streets, was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance declaring the cost of improving Hall street, between Front and West Park streets, was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance making an appropriation out of the Hall street fund was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance declaring the cost of improving Montgomery street, between Tenth and Thirteenth streets, was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance appropriating $632 24 out of the Montgomery street fund was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance declaring the cost of improving Market street, between Fifth and Sixth streets, read first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance appropriating $77 10 out of the Market street fund was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance authorizing the lease of the old city jail at $10 per month was read twice and laid over under the rules.

NOMINATION REJECTED.

A communication from the Mayor announcing the appointment of W. H. Adams as police judge, was read and on the motion to confirm the vote stood, ayes 3, noes 6. So the appointment was not confirmed.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The auditor was instructed to give notice that the council propose to improve South Second street between Sherman and Sheridan streets.

The auditor was instructed to draw a warrant on the treasury for $500 in favor of W. S. Chapman for making the assessment upon the approval of the ordinance making appropriation therefor.

The committee on fire and water was authorized to expend $10 for work at No. 2 engine House.

On motion council adjourned until Wednesday, Dec. 27th, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

BRIEF NOTES.

U. S. Circuit Court to day.

Bal masque to-morrow evening.

Show windows look tempting now.

A thing of the past—the Progress Club.

Due and payable—school and county taxes.

New Market Theater—"The Two Orphans."

Coal oil is very high and little in the market.

Weathercocks unpropitious for skating prospects.

Steamer *Gussie Telfair* due at this port from Sitka.

Cold, foggy and generally disagreeable yesterday.

After to-morrow the days will begin to grow longer.

The river is within two feet of extreme low water mark.

Now is the most appropriate time to remember your friend.

The mammoth ox is on exhibition in front of Central Market.

Christmas trees will be given in most of the churches of the city.

Everybody who can afford it is picking out his Christmas turkey.

Steamer *Ajax* will sail hence for San Francisco Saturday morning at 6 o'clock.

It takes lots of steam and grit (sand) to enable the locomotive to climb the Fourth street grade.

Johnny Holton, whose health is very precarious, proposes to spend the coming winter in Southern California.

The prow of the *Ajax* is a little scratched from her rude contact with the *Shoo-Fly*, on her last trip down the river.

One would know that *Christmas is near at* hand by the evergreen decorations which are being made at every corner.

The little sloop, *Annie Devlin*, belonging to Capt. J. R. Wiley, lies stranded on the east shore, just north of the foot of J street.

The new buildings are being finished up for those who expect to occupy the same within three weeks. A general change and a great improvement.

Andrew Hill, Esq., formerly city assessor of Portland, whose failing health compelled him to seek a milder climate, is *now residing* in Southern California.

Lieut. Guy Howard, who has been stationed for some time at Angel Island, San Francisco bay, has been ordered to proceed in charge of a detachment of recruits to Fort Yuma.

Old 1876 has donned his great coat, cap and gloves, ready to say good by and make room for fresh and vigorous 1877, who is soon to be introduced to the world by Father Time.

Now that the season is o'er for base ball, shinny, hop scotch, marbles, and for taking lessons on the devil's harp, our juveniles are at a loss to know how to kill spare time.

W. S. Ladd, Esq., our highly esteemed fellow townsman, is, we learn, now sojourning in the Quaker city, under medical treatment. His health is still quite precarious.

Yesterday the stores of Messrs. Corbitt & Macleay, and W. Jackson & Co., were closed during the funeral of the late Wm. Wilbur Morton, the father of the deceased being employed with the former firm and his brother with the latter.

H. S. Hutchings, of Marysville, Cal., will start 8,000 head of sheep for Walla Walla next spring.

Go to Kohn's for your clothing.

Christmas and New Year's Cards, at Gill's.

Mrs. B. A. Owens, M.D., Office and residence, east side First street, between Yamhill and Taylor. Special attention given to Women and Children complaints. Also gives Medical Vapor Baths, combined with Electricity, in treating Rheumatism and Chronic Diseases.

DR. HALPRUNER, CHIROPODIST.

Office in Alisky & Hegele's building, 105 First street, is prepared to treat all complaints of the feet. Satisfaction guaranteed and prices reasonable. The Doctor will treat ladies and gentlemen at their residences, when desired.

W. L. ADAMS, M. D., A. M., LL. D., corner of First and Salmon streets, is curing the most inveterate chronic diseases of all kinds at a low price, by medicated, electric, glittering cream baths and by combining the German and French with the American improved practice, mixed with a little common sense. His treatment is, in the main, entirely original, and works almost miracles, as his numerous patrons will attest. Is extraordinarily successful in treating female complaints. Sore eyes speedily relieved. The worst form of piles cured, and the most malignant cancers eradicated root and branch without the use of the knife, or the money refunded.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

The copartnership existing between Joe Oppenheimer and Henry Ackerman, better known as Ackerman's Dollar Store, will be dissolved January 1, 1877. It is imperatively necessary that our stock be disposed of before that time. It being a very large and complete one, comprising in the main elegant Holiday Presents, Crockery, Glass and Fine Plated Ware, it will be readily seen that great sacrifices must be made to dispose of it all within the time set.

The attention of the public, and especially of dealers throughout the State, is called to the above.

ACKERMAN'S DOLLAR STORE.

Know all people by these presents, that I, *Santa Claus*, arrived per steamer *Geo. W. Elder*, and have left my *Budget of Toys* and Christmas Presents with Wm. Beck & Son, for distribution in the city of Portland.

SANTA CLAUS.

PROGRESS CLUB ROOMS.

I have taken charge of the Progress Club Rooms, and cordially invite the former guests of the Club and my acquaintances. Lunch from 12 to 1 P. M. The fine Hall and Rooms will be rented to Clubs, also for Private Parties, Balls, etc.

H. BRENNER.

FINNEN'S HAVANA CIGAR STORE.

Opposite Strowbridge's Block, has on hand and for sale a large assortment of fine Cigars. Chewing and Smoking Tobacco, the best, cheapest and largest assortment in the city. Call, judge for yourself, and be convinced that I give more satisfaction for your money than any other retail store here.

98 FIRST STREET.

NOTICE.

The undersigned in taking leave of Portland returns his sincere thanks for the liberal patronage that has been bestowed, and would bespeak for his successors a continuance of the same.

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AMUSEMENTS.

"THE TWO ORPHANS."—This new and sensational drama in 7 tableaux will be produced at New Market theater this evening, for the first time in Portland. For several days past the piece has been in careful course of preparation, rehearsals having been held day and night since the arrival of Mr. Jack and Miss Firmin. Every attention has been bestowed on the multifarious details of the drama, and nothing important to the full and complete effect of the situations and incidents of the plot has been omitted. The play will be produced with new scenery, new costumes and the original music incidental to the piece. Mr. R. C. White, the very clever scenic artist, is engaged day and night in preparing new scenery expressly for the drama. From the pains, care and study bestowed, this beautiful and thrilling play seems to give every assurance of being presented in a very satisfactory manner to the public. Its first appearance here should be greeted with an overflowing house. Mr. Jack, who assumes the *role* of "Pierre," the Cripple, is a character actor of acknowledged ability, he having followed the histrionic profession for more than 20 years. He supported George Rignold, the great English actor, who played an engagement last summer in San Francisco, personating, with great public favor, the characters of "Falstaff," in Henry IV, and "Pistol," in Henry V. Miss Annie Firmin, who assumes the character of "Louise," came out to San Francisco over a year ago with the Hooley Comedy Company. She comes with the reputation of being a charming comedienne and songstress. The remainder of the cast is judiciously distributed. We hope to see a crowded house.

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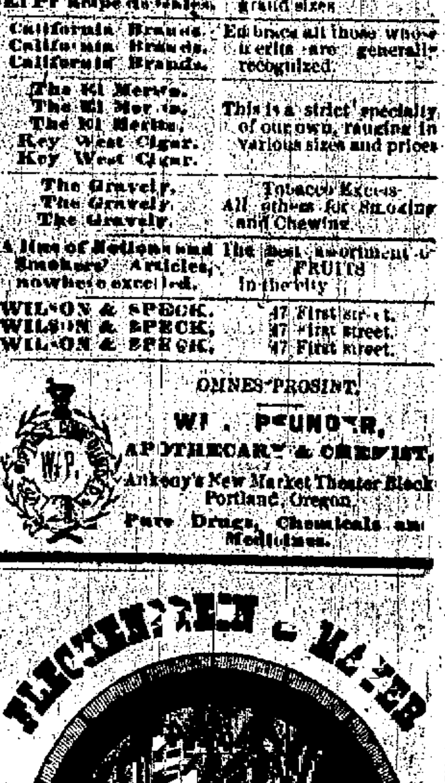

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RSDAY MORNING, DEC. 21, 1876.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

A Russian Subsidy.

BELGRADE, Dec. 20.—Gen. Nikitine who is expected to arrive to-day, brings a million rubles, contributed by the Russian government for reorganization of the Servian troops. The Russian consul-general has officially informed M. Ristics that all Russian officers remaining in Servia are to be considered as forming part of the Russian army, and are to receive full war pay usual in the Russian service. Servian officers of reserve received orders to start for the frontier immediately.

Effects of the Conference.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—A Vienna correspondent of the Times says Russia desires that the understanding arrived at in preliminary conference should be embodied in an indentical note to be presented by each ambassador to the Porte, and that the Porte should be invited to negotiate on the points mentioned in the note. The object of this proceeding is to make Turkey, if she is obstinate, place herself in opposition to the will of united Europe. The course proposed will probably be adopted with some modifications. It is quite surprising how the preliminary conference has reconciled conflicting opinions. There is no longer [illegible] of forming tributary States, but [illegible] of reforms which are limited to administrative autonomy. Even in this respect, [illegible] views which have prevailed have [illegible] moderated. The impracticability [illegible] armament of Mahometans [illegible] recognized and prohibition against [illegible] arms in public substituted. The [illegible] to hand the administration entirely [illegible] the natives of the various districts [illegible] been considerably modified. There [illegible] be every probability not only of the [illegible] in conference among European [illegible] the Turks may be even [illegible] acquiesce in the reform scheme [illegible] modifications. It is thought the [illegible] must have been only [illegible] very general way at the pre[illegible] so as not to become an ob[illegible] throughout, most re[illegible] disposition on all sides [illegible] everything which

[illegible] agency reports that [illegible] preliminary sittings will be [illegible] representatives at the con[illegible] of the week. The [illegible] between England and [illegible] and conciliatory character.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 20.—The Imperial [illegible] appointing Midhat Pasha, Grand Vizier, [illegible] the appointment is made because the [illegible] desires a satisfactory solution of the [illegible] questions, while confirming at the [illegible] before the whole world the [illegible] and interests of the empire.

[illegible], Dec. 20.—Great Britain's [illegible] Russian proposal regarding the [illegible] by neutral troops, has [illegible] here. It is understood [illegible] declined, and it is believed [illegible]

[illegible] Times leader on the [illegible] it is interesting to observe [illegible] as well as [illegible] from the original position re[illegible] Eastern question. A few days [illegible] that Russia would abandon [illegible] occupation of Bulgaria, if [illegible] should provide some other [illegible]. We also mentioned a [illegible] duty of police should be [illegible] troops of some small na[illegible]. We have yet to see [illegible] consent to undertake [illegible] in the mere fact that [illegible] such a scheme to be [illegible] and a striking [illegible] to which the [illegible] of Turkey have [illegible] events. The [illegible] of the Marquis [illegible] the support of [illegible] resistance, the [illegible] necessity o[illegible]

[illegible] Approved.

[illegible]—The plenipoten[illegible] from their [illegible] approving the deci[illegible] conference.

[illegible]—The ministry have re[illegible] misunderstanding [illegible] the entries of [illegible]

[illegible] Turkish Ceremonial.

[illegible] American monitor [illegible] Belgrade yesterday [illegible] were fired from the fort. [illegible] The Austrian consul, [illegible] who was on board, [illegible] the Mano to advance [illegible] Belgrade. The [illegible] turret was being [illegible] accidentally exploded, [illegible] ensign and four [illegible] wounding seven others. [illegible] the fort again fired their [illegible] the monitor was [illegible] Milan sent Minister [illegible] consul with apologies [illegible] that the commander of [illegible] This is the mis[illegible]

[illegible]—The chamber of deputies [illegible] the bill raising the [illegible] military forces to 200,000 men.

[illegible]TIC CABLE.

[illegible] France.

[illegible] Minister Washburn has [illegible]'s apologies to Duke [illegible] foreign affairs, for the [illegible] of Capt. Auffrera, naval [illegible] legation at Washington [illegible] French commissioners to [illegible] at the instance of [illegible] policemen.

Worrying over Constitutional Rights.

VERSAILLES, Dec. [illegible]—In the Senate to-day, M. Pouyer Quertier, president of financial committee, recommended that the Senate re-insert in the budget [illegible] grants for army chaplains and for other religious purposes which had been stricken out by the Chamber of Deputies. He said the Senate would thereby assert its right [illegible] it should exercise as freely as deputies [illegible] theirs. The course recommended by M. Pouyer Quertier, if followed, will occasion a conflict between the [illegible] can claim that ac[illegible] measures, consequently [illegible] budget any item which [illegible] thrown out by deputies.

Extradition.

[illegible], Dec. 20.—Charles Brent, Louisville forger, has been delivered to an English detective deputed by Minister Pierrepont to receive him, and will leave to-night for Queenstown to embark for the United States.

[illegible] at the Apology.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—Minister Washburne did not present to Duke Decazes the apologies of President Grant for the arrest of Capt. Aufrye in Philadelphia.

Steamer in Distress.

LONDON, Dec. [illegible]—The steamer City of Bristol, which left Liverpool Dec. 6th, for Philadelphia, has put back to Queenstown. She lost her chains and bowsprit and all attached during a northwest gale, on the 14th. The second officer and four men were washed overboard and drowned.

Specie for America.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The steamship *Adriatic*, which sails for New York to-morrow, takes [illegible]

[illegible] Preachers and Teachers.

VERSAILLES, Dec. 20.—The financial committee of the Senate have agreed to the proposal to reinsert in the budget grants of [illegible],000 for increasing stipends of the clergy and [illegible],000 for scholarships in seminaries, these items having been stricken out by the Chamber of deputies. The committee, however, have effected the suppression of two other grants of smaller amounts for religious purposes, [illegible] will move the appointment of a delegation to confer with the financial committees of deputies on contested points.

The citizens of Oak Harbor, Whidby Island, have gotten up a petition asking that Oak Harbor be placed on the mail route between Whatcom and Seattle. Oak Harbor is assuming the proportions of quite a little town.

[illegible]LAMOOK!

[illegible]

[illegible] L. [illegible]

[illegible] on and after to-day.

[illegible]

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Financial.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 20, 1876.

Gold in New York, 107½.

Legal Tenders in Portland—buying 91½; selling 92½.

Silver Coin—buying, 94; selling, 95.

The week, so far, has developed but little that is new in regard to financial matters in local circles, the principal movement being by those who are aiming to square up their accounts at the close of the year. Ordinarily we hear but little complaint on account of the closeness of the money market or failures in promptness on part of debtors. True, there are men in business, to a greater or less extent, who so manage as to be always pressed, and hence always have reasons fancied or real to murmur at the condition of affairs, but such is not the rule with our business men generally, and most of them when they are doing a large, active or profitable business, acknowledge the fact with due gratefulness. The year now about to close has not, however, been a most prosperous one properly, and though a good many drawbacks to the commercial interests of the State have occurred, it is still true that the condition of trade every way is more favorable than at the end of 1874 or 1875. Exports have increased, the few home manufactories have been nearly all actively employed a large portion of the time, the mines have turned out well and money is more plentiful in Oregon to day than before for a long time.

The same causes which affect trade throughout the United States affect it here and produce similar results. The "hard times" felt so heavily in the country are apparently almost over. An Eastern exchange says the stringency in the money market and the dullness of business in all its departments were fruitful in benefits as well as hardships, and adds:

The decrease of foreign imports to this country during the expired nine months of the current year amounted to $62,100,000, compared with the same months of 1875. The single item of coffee shows a decrease of nearly $8,500,000, while the decrease in gums is over $500,000; in hides for shoes, etc., nearly $3,500,000; in cotton manufactures, nearly $1,500,000, and there is a large decrease in rags for the manufacture of paper, tin and zinc plates for building, shawls, silks, wires, watches, hair, cigars, and many other things. A saving in most of these articles injures no one, but adds to their own wealth and that of the country.

The Wheat Market

Is not changed in any of its essential features since our last review. The receipts here are quite heavy, and while vessels are having moderate dispatch there are considerable amounts coming to hand which is yet held by farmers or speculators. Exporters are only purchasing to meet their present requirements, and persons who bought very extensively during the last excitement in the market are still holding their purchases for better prices. Shippers appear to be full handed, and disclaim the belief that any important advance is likely to occur soon. But few farmers or others offer large quantities, and sales are decreasing in frequency and amount.

A short time ago we copied from the *Reporter* an item to the effect the total receipts of wheat at this place for the months of August, September, October and November, were 781,485 centals, which, added to flour received for a like time, gives the following: Wheat, centals, 784,485; flour, reduced to wheat, 252,456; total, 1,040,041. Of this amount 145,29[illegible] sacks were reported as coming from the Upper Columbia river. The Walla Walla *Union* says: "These figures may be correct, but we do not believe they are large enough. From very good authority we learn that the Walla Walla and Columbia River R. R. Co. transported over their road, from the opening of navigation to the 1st of December, 14,800 tons of down freight, nine tenths of the amount being grain and flour. There was not over 1,000 tons of grain left over from last year, and the new grain did not fairly begin to move until the 1st of August."

The receipts for the present month have been in excess of any former month, and the aggregate for the five months of the harvest year will also exceed those of any corresponding period in the history of the State.

The trade in nearly all articles of domestic produce has been active this week, and with the fair demand for the usual holiday trade and for shipment, prices are generally sustained.

San Francisco Markets.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Flour—Superfine, $5@5 50; extra, $5 87½@6 37½, for shipping lots payable in gold; $6 to $7 50, jobbing lots, payable in silver.

Wheat—Round lots choice can not be secured less than $2 10; small lots will not command over $2@2 05.

Barley—Small sales feed at $1 17½@1 20, silver; brewing, $[illegible]@1 30, gold.

Oats—$1 [illegible]@1 90 for feed; $1 90@2 for milling.

Corn—Large yellow firm at $1 17½@1 20, silver.

Buckwheat—Nominally, $1 50.

Rye—Last consignment reported was at $1 75.

Hops—California quotable at 20@25c; prime lots at 30c.

Potatoes—Sweet, 62½@75c; very choice red held at 90c@$1, but bulk sells at 40@45c.

Gold—107¼.

Legal Tenders—92½@93¼.

Trade dollars, .01a1c; halves, 93¼@94¼c.

Liverpool wheat market to-day 10s 9d@11s 1d for average California; 10s 11d@11s 6d for club.

Shipping Intelligence.

The American ship Storm King loaded at Astoria by the Salem Flouring Mill Co., has cleared for Europe with a very valuable cargo.

The bark Edward James, hence for Hongkong, arrived at Honolulu on the 1st inst.

The bark Mattie Macleay was in port at Honolulu loading for this place on the 2d of December.

Freight charters were effected in San Francisco in several instances last week at £2 to Liverpool direct, and £2 5s@£2 [illegible] for orders.

The steamship Ajax will sail for San Francisco on Saturday next at 6 o'clock A. M.

The Br. bark Frinsel sailed from Valparaiso for this port Oct. 21st.

The barkentine Jane A. Falkinburg sailed from Honolulu, S. I., Dec. 1st, for this port with a cargo of produce valued at $39,400.

Boston Wool Market.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Wool is in moderate demand; prices steady and firm. Fleeces scarce; most desirable lots held for an advance on current rates. Ohio and Pennsylvania, 45@50c; Michigan and Wisconsin, 38@42c; combing and delaine, 45@55c; pulled, scarce but firm; superfine and extra, 35@46c, including good and choice at 40@45c. California wool in moderate demand; fall, 15@17c.

EXPORTS.

Per American ship Storm King, cleared at Astoria Dec. 18th, dispatched by the Salem Flouring Mill Co—10,535¾ bbls flour, valued at $63,208 75; 17,749 centals wheat, $38,160 90; 101 casks tallow, 29,815 lbs, $1,250 70; 1,779 cases beef and tongues, $18,094. Total value of cargo, $120,714 05.

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Nothing will be left undone to make guests feel at home, and by strict attention to business we hope to continue the very liberal patronage heretofore bestowed on this popular House.

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To the Citizens of Salem and the Traveling Public: THE RUMOR THAT I AM IN THE CHEMEKETA Hotel is false. I am still keeping the Commercial Hotel as usual, at $1 00 per day, board and lodging, according to room. I keep no second-class house in the State. Call and see for yourself, and if not satisfied no charges made.

d2d1m WESLEY GRAVES, Proprietor.

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Oak Street, 2d door west of Neppach's Drug Store.

WITH SEVERAL YEARS' EXPERIENCE IN the business the undersigned warrant their numerous friends an excellent dish of

Shoalwater Bay or Eastern Oysters

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I am also manufacturing Ladies' and Children's WORK to order, which I make a specialty, and will warrant a first class Shoe and a PERFECT FIT or no sale. Give me a call.

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CITY ADVERTISEMENTS.

Clay Street.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the assessment made by Ordinance No. 1362 for the improvement of Clay street in the manner provided by Ordinance No. 1819, on each of the following described lots of land fronting upon that part of Clay street lying between West Park street and Front street, as well as those liable for a proportionate share of improving the intersections of streets running at right angles therewith, is due and payable at the office of the City Treasurer, in United States gold and silver coin, and unless paid within fifteen days from the date hereof, the Common Council will order warrants issued for the collection thereof:

Block.	Lot.	Owner.	Assessm't.
Park 12		City of Portland	$90 46
208,	7, 8,	A Waltz	27 84
"	1,	P W Gillette	22 98
"	2,	Jas Lamb	8 91
187,	1, 2,	J H Mitchell	33 54
"	7, 8,	Henry Young	32 44
161	1,	Sarah A King	11 21
"	2,	Anna O'Brien	9 00
"	W½ 7 and 8,	J W Meldrum	12 61
"	E½ 7 and 8,	Geo A Steel	10 10
150,	7, 8,	Wm Braden	21 91
160,	1,	Will'tte Lodge A F & A M	1 50
127,	8,	Jno Gates	13 40
"	1 and 2,	Jno Lake	31 04
116,	8,	W L Higgins	11 36
"	7,	Samuel Scott	9 08
"	1,	L'n Vial & I A Davenport	14 00
			$303 42

By order of the Common Council.

W. S. CALDWELL, Auditor and Clerk.

Dec. 11, 1876. d11d10t

Mill Street.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ASSESSMENT made by Ordinance No. 1860, for the improvement of Mill street in the manner provided by Ordinance No. 1821, on each of the following described lots of land fronting upon that part of Mill street lying between West Park street and Front street, as well as those liable for a proportionate share of improving the intersections of streets running at right angles therewith is due and payable to the Treasurer of the city of Portland in United States gold and silver coin, and unless paid within fifteen days from the date of this notice, the Common Council will order warrants issued for the collection thereof:

Block.	Lot.	Owner.	Ass'mnt.
228,	1, 2,	Geo J Watts	$16 24
Park 14,		City of Portland	19 07
201,	1, 2, 7, 8,	D S Baker	59 68
162,	1, 2,	J A Strowbridge	31 84
134,	[illegible] 2, 8,	J S Smith	46 56
125	7, 8,	H L Darr	24 66
"	1, 2,	Jas Wilson	32 91
118,	1,	P A Marquam	13 70
"	7,	Mrs Ann Schoppe	9 17
"	8,	Robert Nelson	24 97
			$279 73

By order of the Common Council.

W. S. CALDWELL, Auditor and Clerk.

Dec. 11, 1876. d11d10t

Jefferson Street.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ASSESSMENT made by Ordinance No 1864 for the improvement of Jefferson street in the manner provided by Ordinance No. 1817 on each of the following described lots of land fronting upon that part of Jefferson street lying between West Park and Front streets, as well as those liable for a proportionate share of improving the intersections of streets running at right angles therewith, is due and payable at the office of the City Treasurer in United States gold and silver coin, and unless paid within fifteen days from the date hereof, the Common Council will order warrants issued for the collection thereof.

Block	Lot.	Owner.	Assessm't
Park 10,	—	City of Portland	$29 26
205,	1, 2, 7, 8.	Portland Academy	67 80
185,	7, 8,	W S Ladd	38 36
166,	1, 2,	J N Dolph	20 02
148,	7, 8,	J C Van Rensselaer	20 02
147,	8,	Anna E. Bancroft	21 50
129,	1, 2,	D Monnastes	19 48
114,	7,	Asa Barker	8 66
114,	8,	P W Davis	10 82
			$235 92

By order of the Common Council.

W. S. CALDWELL, Auditor and Clerk.

Dec. 11, 1876. d11d10t

RAILROADS.

Oregon & California R. R. Co.

[illegible]

To Take Effect Sunday, Sept. 17, 1876, at 12 o'clock Noon.

DAILY (EXCEPT SUNDAY)

As follows:

PORTLAND AND ROSEBURG

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
Portland	7:30 A. M.	Roseburg	[illegible]:00 P. M.
Roseburg	5:00 A. M.	Portland	4:[illegible] P. M.

ALBANY EXPRESS TRAIN.

DAILY, (EXCEPT SUNDAYS)

As follows:

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
Portland	3:50 P. M.	Albany	8:25 P. M.
Albany	5:30 A. M.	Portland	10:05 A. M.

FREIGHT TRAINS

DAILY, (EXCEPT SUNDAYS) AS FOLLOWS

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
Portland	6:15 A. M.	Junction	6:00 P. M.
Junction	5:45 A. M.	Portland	5:15 P. M.

The Oregon and California Railroad Ferry makes connection with all Regular Trains.

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Tickets for Sale to all the principal points in California and the East, at Company's Office,

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A. P. ROGERS, Gen'l Freight and Passenger Agent.

Northern Pacific Railroad,

PACIFIC DIVISION.

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DAILY, (SUNDAYS EXCEPTED.)

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
Kalama	11:30 A. M.	Tacoma	6:00 P. M.
Tacoma	7:00 A. M.	Kalama	12:30 P. M.

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Through fare from Portland to San Francisco:

Cabin........$35 00 | Steerage........$1[illegible] 00

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ATTORNEY AT LAW.

Office in Monnastes' Brick, First street, Portland.

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NORTHUP & GILBERT,

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,

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Portland, Ogn. n1d1m

SYL. C. SIMSON. JNO. B. WALDO.

SIMSON & WALDO,

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No. 12 Dekum's Building.

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d8d1aw3tF GEO. WOODWARD, Assignee.

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To the [illegible]

[illegible]

SEMINAL [illegible] This solitary vice, [illegible] practiced by the [illegible] unlimited [illegible] the following [illegible] combatted by [illegible] low countenance [illegible] the head, [illegible] of leaves and [illegible] the loins, [illegible] blunted intellect, [illegible] approaching [illegible] countenance, [illegible] memory, [illegible] tions about [illegible] cough, [illegible] frequent [illegible]

CURE [illegible]

[illegible] Union. Address [illegible]

NERVOUS [illegible]

DR. [illegible]

[illegible]

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POLITICAL.

What Gov. Hendricks Says.

[illegible]APOLIS, Dec. 20.—Gov. Hen[illegible] a Journal reporter to-day that th[illegible] voted for Tilden believe him electe[illegible] excited at the possibility [illegible] of the office and another [illegible] who was not elected, by [illegible] machinery, anti-republican [illegible] and even by disregard of [illegible] and by the frau[illegible] its powers. They do not [illegible] republican institutions it is [illegible] inquiry can be made into the [illegible] who so undertook to cont[illegible] election by fraudulent [illegible] it is the duty of the H[illegible] to see that the [illegible] elected, even should the [illegible] maintain it. The opinion [illegible] and I believe universally, [illegible] the House of Representati[illegible] equal power with the [illegible] of all questions arising [illegible] of the count of the electo[illegible] would be usurpation and [illegible] of the rights of the people, [illegible]

Morning Oregonian.

VI.—NO. 276. PORTLAND, OREGON: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1876. PRICE—TEN CEN[illegible]

POLITICAL.

[illegible] of the ex-Rebels.

[illegible] Dec. 19.—A dispatch from [illegible] it is a significant fact that in [illegible] Senate's resolution relating to [illegible] yesterday, almost the entire [illegible] made up of members who [illegible] oath when sworn in. All [illegible] the negative who were in [illegible] except Gov. Walker of Virginia [illegible] of Iowa, and Proctor Knott.

[illegible] Electoral Messengers.

[illegible] Dec. 13.—The total amount [illegible] mileage of electoral messengers [illegible] 37. The messenger from [illegible] upward of $900.

[illegible] Plan to Settle the Presidential Question.

[illegible] the peaceful settlement [illegible] is suggested by Senator [illegible] His scheme is [illegible] questions connected with [illegible] a committee of 14—seven [illegible] Representatives and seven [illegible] This body would have the [illegible] the Oregon case, and upon [illegible] the South Carolina, Florida [illegible] elections. In short, this [illegible] have the right to de[illegible] the next President of the [illegible] however, in the method [illegible] peculiarity of Senator [illegible] He would have [illegible] a certain number of [illegible] would be put into a [illegible] number of names from the [illegible] in another box. The [illegible] would then be determined [illegible] names drawn by a blindfold[illegible] box. Of course in this [illegible] accidental which [illegible] by the lottery, but [illegible] there are many precedents [illegible] cases in the political [illegible] have been decided by [illegible] as trivial as his own. [illegible] is to avoid war and [illegible] joint commission from [illegible] with authority, it would [illegible] as it were, by Providence [illegible] are non-committal.

[illegible] the President a [illegible]

[illegible] The *Tribune's* Washington [illegible] There is a growing [illegible] of both parties that the [illegible] question can still be [illegible] court for a decision. [illegible] dispute can be narrowed [illegible] whether the House of [illegible] the right, of its own motion [illegible] concurrence of the Senate [illegible] of a State. This [illegible] question, and, like [illegible] of different interpretations [illegible] of that instrument, it [illegible] the Supreme Court. [illegible] is to get the matter [illegible] Democrats and Republicans [illegible] to the plan.

[illegible] on the Electoral [illegible]

[illegible] Speaker Randall [illegible] Ferry, in regard to [illegible] joint committee to [illegible] counting the electoral [illegible] intended to appoint [illegible] Republicans. Ferry [illegible] a fair division, and [illegible] appoint four Democrats [illegible] and then he [illegible] the Senate, four [illegible] Democrats. Randall [illegible] will not announce [illegible] Randall appoints the [illegible]

[illegible] Hayes One by [illegible]

[illegible] special says; [illegible] the investigation [illegible] and [illegible] con[illegible] finds them identical [illegible] says [illegible] Grover [illegible] two votes are [illegible] the Republicans have [illegible] The Democrats seem [illegible] and divided. Few [illegible] snubbed.

[illegible] Legions.

[illegible] Washington special says; [illegible] New York that [illegible] of Missouri, is [illegible] Tilden, and has [illegible] of the Tilden Le[illegible] headquarters at St. [illegible] of operations.

[illegible] North Carolina.

[illegible]—The election com[illegible] subpenas in the con[illegible] North Carolina.

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[illegible] committee have [illegible] appropriation bill. It [illegible] 40,000 less than [illegible] reduction being in pay [illegible] The bill makes [illegible] or their salaries or [illegible] at half-past 2, has been [illegible]

[illegible] Telegrams.

[illegible] 19.—The statement that [illegible] served with a subpena to [illegible] on the 28th inst. with [illegible] by Secretary Chandler [illegible] Up to 12 o'clock to[illegible] served upon him, and [illegible] one will be. Mr. [illegible] those having this mat[illegible] calling upon him to [illegible] sent by Chandler and [illegible] course would be for the [illegible] these gentlemen and [illegible] they have sent any tel[illegible] the matter under in[illegible] holds that the com[illegible] the sender of telegrams for [illegible] to the messenger who [illegible]

[illegible] Must Come.

[illegible] Dec. 20.—A majority of the [illegible] judiciary decided that the [illegible] committee have the right [illegible] dispatches, when such [illegible] to the purposes of in[illegible] demands must be complied [illegible] penalty of being held in con[illegible] This was the position [illegible] chairman of the sub-commit[illegible] subject was referred for re[illegible] McCrary reported that, in [illegible] telegrams called for should [illegible] but Lynde's proposi[illegible] the affirmative votes being [illegible] Hunton, Ashe, Lynde and [illegible]

[illegible] Dec. 20.—Wm. Orton, presi[illegible] Western Union Telegraph Co., [illegible] subpenaed to appear in person [illegible] December 26th, before the [illegible] committee, to produce certain [illegible] The action of the House [illegible] sergeant-at-arms authority to [illegible] processes in that direction.

[illegible] Developments Expected.

[illegible] 20.—The *Tribune's* Washing[illegible] those who should know say [illegible] as chairman of the Na[illegible] were sent over other names [illegible] If Chandler's dispatches are [illegible] Hewitt's will be forthcom[illegible] developments are ex[illegible]

[illegible] N. Y. Postoffice.

[illegible] 20.—Mr. James, postmaster, [illegible] to Hon. A. S. Hewitt, [illegible] "I am informed you charge [illegible] Congress, that your letters [illegible] office are, or have [illegible] reaching your hands. [illegible] it is, or has been, [illegible] done in this office? If [illegible] your charge with a [illegible] investigation, as I pro[illegible] utterly and absolutely [illegible]

[illegible] a Protest.

[illegible] the Senate to-day, [illegible] condemning [illegible] in South Carolina, and expressing Virginia's sympathy for the people of that State, was further discussed, and an amendment inserted calling on South Carolina's people to continue in their forbearance, etc., after which it was adopted, yeas 31, nays 4, the Republicans voting nay.

The Great Question of the Day.

The multiplication of plans for settling the disputed Presidential question is certainly a hopeful sign. The more that are brought forward, the greater will be the chance of agreement upon some one of them, because every member of Congress who becomes author of one of these propositions, lays aside the attitude of belligerent partisanship and commits himself to the general idea of finding, if possible, some way of reconciling the conflicting claims of the two parties. The last plan broached, is that Congress shall not count the electoral votes at all, but shall declare by joint resolution there has been no lawful election, and alter the law of 1792, so as to provide for holding a new election in May next.

The *Times* says the constitution declares in language of indisputable distinctness that the President of the Senate shall open the certificates of the electors for President and Vice President of the United States. It is not an act which he may, but a duty which he shall perform, unaided by clerks, tellers, Senators or Representatives in Congress. When he is directed by the constitution to open all certificates, it is necessary for him, first, to decide what are the genuine certificates to be opened; second, it is settled, not by the words of the constitution, but by practice or precedent, from which there has not been a single departure since the origin of the government, that the presiding officer of the Senate announces officially the full counting and formally makes known to Congress and the country who are elected.

Democrats Center on Louisiana.

The *Times* Washington special says: The Democrats have abandoned Oregon, South Carolina and Florida, and now base their hopes entirely on Louisiana. In Louisiana nothing will be allowed to stand in the way of a report to the House of the very strongest character, asserting Tilden's election, and on that report they will undertake to rest their case and demand the inauguration of Tilden. All Republicans who were in Louisiana during the counting of the vote agree that it is absolutely impossible for the committee to damage the Republican case.

How Matters Stand in Florida.

New York, Dec. 20.—Speaking of Florida affairs the *Tribune's* Washington special says that Conover manifests some uneasiness about his State. He thinks it possible the court may order the canvass reopened and that the canvassers may obey its mandate. In such an event he anticipates the State ticket and Congressman may be gained to the Democrats. He does not, however, seem to fear that the electoral vote can be taken from Hayes and Wheeler.

A Little Democratic Victory.

New York, Dec. 20.—The *Herald's* Tallahassee dispatch says the Democrats carried the city election to-day, electing their mayor by 12 votes. The election was perfectly quiet. The Republicans had about 2 to 1 in the registry list. A great many colored people, and many white Republicans voted the Democratic ticket. This is the first time the city has been carried by the Democrats since the war.

Manton Marble on Florida.

New York, Dec. 20.—Manton Marble writes to all the Democratic journals, his views of the Florida election, claiming that Tilden had a clear majority.

The Florida Investigation.

The *Herald's* New Orleans dispatch says that the Senatorial committee are to be hurried up. It is said they have received a dispatch from Washington to return as soon as possible, it being feared some political emergency may occur in which their presence and votes may be wanted.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Hampton Legislature Elect a Senator.

Columbia, Dec. 19.—In the House to-day, 79 Senators and Representatives were present. This being the legal quorum of the joint assembly, a ballot was taken for U. S. Senator, resulting in the election of M. C. Butler. He received the vote of 79 voters. Nothing was done by the Republicans or courts to-day of any interest. Everything is quiet.

The South Carolina Muss.

Columbia, Dec. 20.—The Senate to-day decided by a strict party vote to adjourn with the Republican House *sine die* on the 22d inst. The tax and appropriation bills passed a second reading in the Senate. The tax levy aggregates seventeen mills, exclusive of local tax.

Butcher Butler of South Carolina.

New York, Dec. 20.—The *Times* on Butler's election in South Carolina: This action is eminently worthy of the men who claim the legality of elections carried by the rifle clubs of Laurens and Edgefield. It is characteristic of the defiance of the moral sense of the country. Butler is in every sense worthy of his constituency, and the presentation of his claims to the Senate will afford an opportunity of spreading out before the people the atrocities of which he was the chief actor, and the political methods which he represents. Had his election been as regular as it is farcical he would in all probability have been denied a place in the Senate, and the fact that such a choice was made is very clear proof that the Democratic legislators of South Carolina are perfectly aware that their proceedings are an empty form.

Exit the Rump.

The *Times* says the South Carolina legislature had agreed to adjourn *sine die*, which is probably the most prudent course for it to adopt under the circumstances. It is interesting to learn that the funds which were said to have been advanced by the Carolina bank for the salaries of those patriots really come out of the pocket of Tilden.

THE CUBAN REVOLUTION.

Spanish Successes.

Havana, Dec. 19.—Following is a report of the principal actions between Spaniards and insurgents: In the jurisdiction of Santa Clara the Spaniards destroyed three salt pits and sixty-three huts belonging to the insurgents, killing six of the latter. In the jurisdiction of Santiago a Spanish column of troops with 100 cavalry, defeated a party of 600 insurgents and dispersed them, killing 27 men and capturing 35 horses and 10 mules. The loss of the Spaniards was 2 soldiers and 3 officers killed, and 26 wounded. The many troops which have arrived from Spain are said to be distributed over various counties in such manner that they can be in immediate contact with each other, whilst various columns are in constant movement, relieving each other continually.

CANADA.

Heavy Embezzlement.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—J. C. Barber, assistant accountant of the Bank of Montreal, of this city, was arrested this afternoon charged with appropriating debentures held as collaterals by the bank. Mr. Crombie, solicitor for the bank, took Barber to Montreal Saturday night and he there confessed to a series of embezzlements amounting to upwards of $100,000, which he sank principally in stock operations.

OREGON.

W. H. Noble has been elected marshal of Marshfield.

A man who would probably "take a hot stove," dug up and stole a lot of fruit trees belonging to W. G. Webster, of Marshfield, a few days or nights ago.

There are thirty students in the medical department of the Walamet University. The eleventh regular course of lectures began last Tuesday, the opening address being delivered by Dr. J. M. Jones, a member of the faculty.

The Iowa company at Quartzburg, Idaho, has run its tunnel 500 feet.

LOUISIANA.

House Committee Investigation.

New Orleans, Dec. 20.—House committee testimony: George A. Brandorph (colored) voted the Democratic ticket. He was afterwards knocked down, beaten, arrested and sent to prison. They beat him because he voted the Democratic ticket. He made complaint to the police, but they refused to protect him. He was threatened before the election, by a woman around telling colored men they would be returned to slavery if the Democrats succeeded.

Cross-examined—Was not troubled during the election; reiterates that he had been attacked; detailed circumstances of the attack. After being attacked, made complaint to the police. They arrested him for disturbing the peace; was tried by justice's court and condemned to pay $5 fine, or ten days in prison; was sent to prison; was formerly a Republican; changed politics because he wanted work.

Charles Casanave had been a member of the returning board since 1872. All of the members of the board belonged to the Republican party. There was a recommendation to fill the vacancy, but the board could not agree. Some of the returns of supervisors were returned direct to the board, others to the Secretary of State. Returns were opened in the presence of representatives of both parties. All the decisions were made in private session. The board made returns from the consolidated statements of supervisors, never allowing any additions to be made by supervisors after the statements were received by the board. In a few cases they sent for the boxes, but don't remember from what parishes. Did not canvass Grant parish. Received some irregular returns. Threw out East Feliciana because of general intimidation. When asked if he intended to bring for the inspection of the committee the original returns of supervisors, he said he had not brought the papers and could not bring them without consent of the board. Would consult other members of the board and bring them if they consented. I do not know whether Tilden or Hayes electors had a majority of the votes according to the supervisors' statements. Never heard any members say who had a majority. Know they threw out two parishes and several polls in other parishes. Thinks the votes thrown out aggregated several thousand. Could not say how many. Thinks probably four or five thousand. Do not recollect the number of parishes in which votes were thrown out, but think 14 or 15.

Senator McDonald said it was not the province of the committee to determine anything. The committee wanted only facts for the information of the body from which the committee derived its authority. The committee ought to know the facts upon which the board rejected votes, which by their statement received, they admit they did reject. The question of calling for other documents of the returning board is being discussed by the committee.

The remainder of Casanove's testimony was substantially the same as Gen. Anderson's last night. Anderson was recalled, and handed the committee a statement, signed by all the members of the board, showing the vote on State presidential electors' aggregate vote of parishes, or by parishes. He explained in detail the system of compiling employed by the board. In Anderson's statement it was evident figures and letters had been changed. These Anderson explained, saying some parishes had been misplaced by the clerk who, though he had some mistakes, explained them satisfactorily at the time. Witness produced a memorandum of the polls rejected and the reasons therefor. It shows 54 polls in 20 parishes thrown out and the parishes of Grant and East Feliciana. He did not know which party received a majority of the polls rejected, nor that every poll rejected gave a Democratic majority, nor that the supervisor of East Baton Rouge made his protest after making the returns to the board. The chairman read the original order for the production of all papers, and stated that the committee only desired to inspect the originals and would return them. It was very necessary to be expeditious. Witness agreed to submit the matter to the board and refused to give up the original papers, they being records for inspection by the general assembly only.

Eli James, colored, constable of Ouachita parish, testified as before the returning board, Nov. 28, that while carrying the ballot box from Logtown poll to Monroe, an armed band of a hundred whites captured him and threatened to kill him. He escaped, leaving the ballot box in their hands, and taking some bullets in his body. Republicans had been obliged to go armed for self-protection previous to the election. Republican meetings were held in Ouachita only when troops were present. The parish election was not fair and peaceable. Republican counsel introduced certificates of two physicians, saying Eliza Pinkston was sick in bed and moving would enlarge her complication of diseases and wounds. This was to contradict the story that she had run up the custom house steps when carried there on a litter to see the returning board.

The physician, Dr. Lewis, testified that Eaton Logwood was dangerously wounded in the lungs by a pistol ball. Logwood's wife testified that armed men had been at their house previous to the elections hunting him, but he was hidden in the woods.

These men returned a fourth time, and Eaton, who was in the house, escaped, but her brother-in-law and Primus Johnson, with a baby in her arms, were shot and fell dead at her feet. Witness burst into tears at these points, and the whole committee were visibly affected. The Democrats afterwards tried to make her believe that U. S. soldiers shot him. Her husband had four balls in the shoulder, one in the arm and one in the right side.

George Shelton, of Ouachita, testified that a young man named Willie Howard shot him as he came from a Democratic meeting, on account of a quarrel a year previous, when he interfered to protect a woman from Howard. During witness' sickness whites furnished him food and urged him to vote the Democratic ticket, which he did. He gave general testimony as to intimidation as a plan of operations.

White, Democratic counsel, moved that counsel on each side on Thursday furnish a list of witnesses whom they desire to summon, as a means of securing their attendance.

Senate Committee Investigation.

New Orleans, Dec. 19.—The Senate committee met at half past eleven. The statement of votes rejected in each parish was read from the returning board. Senator McDonald made a motion that subpenas *duces tecum* issue to the returning board for all protests and affidavits accompanying consolidated statements of supervisors and returns of commissioners at each poll in each parish. Senator Howe, chairman, said he could not understand what figure the protests and affidavits which formed the basis of action of the returning board could cut in this investigation, unless the committee proposed to review the action of the board in an appellate capacity.

A Dying Declaration.

The *Times'* New Orleans special says Senators McMillan and Wadleigh repaired to the bedside of Eaton Laywood, who is sinking gradually from wounds received in October in Ouachita parish. This man is a colored Republican, and was shot in five places while in his own yard by members of the Democratic rifle club, who rode day and night. His dying statement which confirms what he has previously said before the returning board, greatly impressed the Senators who heard and saw him.

The Congressional Investigation.

New York, Dec. 20.—The *World's* New Orleans special says: In answer to an inquiry concerning a communication addressed to Speaker Randall, by Morrison, on the subject of obstacles placed in the way of the committee in procuring testimony and documents, and in relation to which communication Garfield received a telegram from Gen. Hurlbut saying Morrison's action was unknown and unauthorized by the committee, Morrison said: "My communication was not signed nor sent officially. It was simply a personal telegram informing Randall of the facts of the case, that he might advise with friends of the investigation in regard to them, in order that they might prevent an adjournment of the House for the holidays at the time when action might be required on the point. A report that the House was about to adjourn was very current at the time. Republican members of the committee openly stated the House was about to adjourn, leaving the inference that no action could be taken against reticent witnesses."

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco Stock Market.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.

Evening Board—Valley 40c, R & E 3½, Jackson 4, Belmont 2½, K X Con 3, Leopard 4¼, Panther 40c, Belle 30c, Jefferson 60c, Gila 50c, Hussey 3, Manhattan 15, City Gas 111, N Coso, 53, Modoc 7½, G Chariot 2¼, S Chariot 75c, Overman 119½, B & B 51, Con Va 45¼, Caledonia 12¾, Alpha 32, Ophir 32¾, H & N 7½, S Nevada 11½, G & C 53, S Belcher 85, California 49¼, Mexican 21½, Chollar 86.

Burning of the Steamer Montana.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—Capt. Douglas, of the *Montana*, telegraphs the steamer took fire at 11:30 P. M., 14th inst., an hour after leaving Guaymas. The fire was discovered coming up the midships ventilator, and in five minutes the ship was ablaze aft. Ran her ashore two miles inside of Cape Haro to save the passengers and crew. No lives lost, but nothing on board was saved. Among the passengers were Lieut. King, U. S. army, and a number of recruits for military posts in Arizona. Quarters have been arranged for them at Guaymas. The authorities tender every assistance, and the American consul has provided for passengers and crew. The ship was burned to the water's edge and will be sold at auction. The *Montana* was a wooden screw steamer of 700 tons, built at Bath, Maine, in 1865; value, $70,000; insured for $60,000. She had a valuable cargo on board. Much of the freight consigned to Mexican ports was discharged before the disaster. The cargo at that time consisted of some goods for gulf and Colorado river ports, about $47,000 worth of commissary stores and 8,000 worth of quartermaster's stores, for military posts in Arizona. Government had no insurance.

Split in the Bonanza.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—It is stated here to-day on apparently reliable authority that the much talked of split in the bonanza firm is an accomplished fact; that Mackey will draw out and go over to the Bank of California interest, taking Consolidated Virginia with him; that at the Con. Va. election which comes off on the 14th of January, he will contest the election against the regular ticket, and be prepared with sufficient stock to carry his point, and put the Bank of California crowd at the helm. It is said an effort will also be made to accomplish the same purpose with California at the coming election on the 19th prox., and that a visit of James R. Keene to the East is with the view of obtaining proxies to assist in the game.

Pacheco-Wigginton Contest.

The Pacheco-Wigginton matter came up in the 12th district court to-day on motion of intervention by the former to prevent the issue of a certificate of election to the latter, but was laid over until Tuesday next, on account of the illness of Judge Dangerfield. Meantime it seems well settled that an effort will be made to take the case directly before the Supreme court by agreement and have it decided by the highest authority without further delay.

Lady Bryan in Trouble.

The much talked of meeting of Lady Bryan Mining Co. was held this afternoon. A large crowd of dissatisfied stockholders was present, headed by their counsel, Mr. Lloyd. The company was represented by Judge Heydenfeldt. The secretary announced that 90,117 shares were represented, and that the business before the meeting was to elect a board of trustees for the coming year. He also read a report from the superintendent. Mr. Lloyd asked if there was no secretary's report of the receipts and disbursements. Mr. McClintock said there was not; that his books and papers had been abstracted from his office between the 5th and 6th of December, and that he had no data upon which to base a report. Mr. Lloyd then raised the point that the meeting had been illegally called under the code and asked for a copy of the by-laws of the company. The secretary reported that he had no copy of the by-laws, and could not find any in the office. An officer then served President Minear, the secretary and trustees with a copy of injunction and summons issued by Judge Wheeler, of the 19th district court, restraining them from holding an election, from collecting any further assessment and exercising any further control of the company. It also cites them to appear and show cause on Thursday morning why injunction should not be made permanent, and a receiver appointed to administer the company's affairs.

The Silver Question.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—A number of prominent business men of Virginia City have signed an address to the Nevada Senators, Sharon and Jones, asking their co-operation in obtaining the passage by Congress of a bill providing for the issue of legal tender silver notes, with a view to restoring the value of silver as a circulating medium.

Paid for the Loss of a Husband.

Placerville, Dec. 20.—A $10,000 verdict was awarded Miss Mary A. Kennedy this evening, in a suit for breach of promise against C. W. Brewster. The case has been on trial for eight days, exciting unusual interest. The courtroom was constantly crowded with ladies. Both parties to the suit move in the first circles of society. The claim was for $30,000.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

From Stikine Mines.

Victoria, Dec. 20.—The steamer *Gussie Telfair* arrived from Fort Wrangel last night, bringing about 30 passengers. The Stikine river was closed with ice, but the weather was mild. No snow has fallen. There is no news from the mines. New diggings are reported to have been discovered about sixty miles west of Wrangel, which pay $7 dollars per day to the hand.

Sentenced to the Chain-gang.

Two men, convicted here of pawning the clothing of dead small pox patients, were sentenced to-day to one year and six months in the chain-gang.

Martin, convicted of assaulting a constable in Alaska Territory, while being conducted from Cassiar to jail in Victoria, was sentenced to a year and nine months' imprisonment.

THE TERRITORIES.

At the late election Washington Territory cast 9,904 votes.

Fourteen steamboats arrive at and depart from Seattle on each Monday.

The Renton and Seattle coal companies take out about 500 tons of coal per day.

T. H. Rollins of Rocky Point, Idaho, has completed a *ten-stamp mill*, and is now pounding away.

Mrs. Charlotte Gildow, of Island county, W. T., has lately been sent to the Steilacoom insane asylum.

The *Tribune* says: The coal prospect already opening for 1877 is of the brightest possible promise for Seattle.

One firm at Walla Walla has killed 500 hogs this season and expects to slaughter another 500 before spring.

The weight of the mail carried on the route from Walla Walla to Spokane has more than doubled during the past season.

The Snohomish country, in Washington Territory, bids fair to rival the Puyallup region in the production of hops.

A Boise city man named King brutally stabbed and cut an old man named Peter Jennings with an ax, last week, and was fined $50 therefor.

GENERAL NEWS.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE OREGONIAN.)

Gold and Stocks.

New York, Dec. 19.—Gold closed at 107@107¼; silver nominal, 121@121½ per ounce; money dull, 5; governments active, steady; stocks dull, steady.

Another Fire at Little Rock.

Little Rock, Dec. 19.—Another fire broke out in the block, corner Markham and Scott streets, which threatens the whole eastern business part of the city. The utmost excitement prevails. At nine o'clock four engines were playing on the fire. The block seems doomed. If it is destroyed, the loss will be $150,000.

10 P. M.—The walls of brick are crumbling. It is the largest wholesale house in Arkansas. The flames can not be checked yet, and there is no telling what destruction will ensue. The fire is believed to have been the work of an incendiary.

10:30.—It is under control and confined to one block, although those adjoining are considerably damaged by fire and water.

Heavy Losses by Fire.

Little Rock, Dec. 19.—The loss by fire last night it is estimated at $160,000; insurance less than half. In the past six weeks the losses by fire in this city have been $350,000.

Incendiarism.

Little Rock, Dec. 20.—It is believed the late fires have been the result of incendiarism, and great vigilance will be exercised in the protection of property here. The insurance on the property destroyed last night was $72,000; total loss, $150,000.

Railway Items.

New York, Dec. 20.—The *Commercial Advertiser* says it is announced that the original land grant of the Hannibal and St. Joseph railroad has been extinguished, and the trustees have turned over to the company over $2,500,000 of land sales notes, and about 80,000 or 90,000 acres of unsold lands. The 8 per cent convertible mortgage bonds of the company advanced on this announcement to 80 per cent. and both classes of stock are higher this afternoon.

Indian Depredations.

Hot Creek, Wy., Dec. 20.—Four freight teams, accompanied by five men, were attacked by Indians in camp on Indian creek, six miles north of this place, about 8 o'clock last night. Three of the party escaped and arrived here at midnight barefooted and half clothed. A detachment of soldiers and a party of citizens repaired to the scene of the fight early this morning and found the bodies of two men, B. C. Stephens, of Salt Lake, and a German named Fritz, from Colorado, horribly mutilated with a butcher's cleaver taken from one of the wagons. The contents of the wagons were scattered over the ground. Sour and corn in piles, as it had been emptied from the sacks. The horses are missing and over forty bullet holes were in one wagon. Bullets found are of Sharp's rifle cartridges. The dead were brought here and buried.

Two hundred and forty-eight Arrapahoe and Sioux scouts from the agencies, in charge of Louis Richards, a half-breed, passed here Sunday en route to join Crook.

A Desperate Lover.

Memphis, Dec. 19.—A young man named Bond, having been ordered from the house by J. D. Hill, of Brownsville, whose daughter he was visiting, returned with a pistol and shot him six times, causing death. He then dragged Miss Hill over her father's dead body, to a minister's, and insisted on having the marriage ceremony performed. After other desperate deeds he escaped from the posse which followed him.

Fatal Explosion on a Steamer.

New York, Dec. 20.—The tug boat *Jacob A. Neoffe*, while off shore about 10 miles this morning blew up, killing the captain, deck hands and steward. The engineer and fireman were rescued.

Sudden Death.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 20.—Henry W. Green, ex-chancellor and eminent jurist, died last night.

American Banker Captured by Revolutionists.

New Orleans, Dec. 19.—A dispatch from Fort Davis says Mexican revolutionists have captured a Mr. Miller, American banker, of Chihuahua, and demanded $8,000 in gold as a ransom for his release. Col. Andrews, with a force of infantry, cavalry and artillery, has gone to his rescue. The revolutionists are reported 400 strong, and have threatened to shoot Miller if they can't hold him. A fight is inevitable.

A Serious Collision.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 20.—A serious collision occurred this afternoon between a passenger train and a mixed train on the Boston, Barre and Gardner railroad, near Princeton station. One person was killed, one fatally injured and twenty somewhat hurt. Responsibility not placed.

All About the Ponies.

St. Paul, Dec. 20.—The remnant of the Indian ponies, taken from the Sioux at Standing Rock, have arrived and will be sold. Of the 1,300 captured only about 700 arrived. Of the balance some have died en route, but most of them have been stolen or sold by herders. They have been systematically followed during the whole journey by thieves and a number run off every night.

Fire Proof Theater Scenery.

New York, Dec. 20.—Interesting experiments were made at Wallack's theater yesterday in presence of city officers. The fire proof scenery was submitted to fierce flames for several minutes without igniting. Dion Boucicault conducted the experiments. The material used for rendering the scenery fire proof were a solution of tonguelat (?) of soda and afterwards silicate of soda. The entire theater can be made fire proof for a hundred dollars. More experiments will follow.

The Indian Policy.

The *Tribune's* Washington special of 19th inst. says, the President, in conversation to-day, said that the progress of population and occupation of the Territories is so rapid it is necessary to adopt a different policy so far as geographical location of tribes is concerned. He thought the useful occupation of the public domain for purposes of agriculture more important than that they should be kept as hunting grounds for savages. He said it is better for the Indians, and certainly more economical for the government, to gather all Indian nations and tribes as rapidly as possible within the limits of one designated territory where they may be protected from encroachments by whites, and be more effectually prevented from further war and devastation upon the settlements.

Shall the Fast Mail be Restored.

The *Times'* Washington special says: The postal railway commission will present Congress to-morrow a portion of the evidence embraced in their report. It is full of valuable information on the subject of fast mail service, and will show that the voice of the people is overwhelmingly in favor of its reestablishment.

All the morning journals continue the onslaught on the Pennsylvania railway fast mail service. The *Tribune* and *Times* call it openly a swindle.

Marriage in High Life.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Geo. C. Gorham, Secretary of the U. S. Senate, was married this evening to Miss Effie E. Bassett, of this city. President pro tem of the Senate Ferry, and Mr. Flagg, principal journal clerk, acted as groomsmen. There was a very large attendance of friends at the church where the ceremony was performed, including the larger portion of the Senators.

A Kanaka employed in the Port Blakely mill, while at work just previous to the time of shutting down the mill, got his left foot caught by some means in the machinery, and before he could extricate himself the toes and fore part of his foot were mangled fearfully by the saw. Upon examination the doctor found an amputation of the fore part of the foot necessary.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Senate.

Washington, Dec. 19.

Windom, from the committee on appropriations, reported unamended the invalid pension bill for the year ending June, 1878, placed upon the calendar.

The chair presented to the Secretary of State a communication transmitting a list of persons not U. S. citizens, holding consular offices, to whom salaries were paid during the fiscal year ending June, 1876; ordered printed and tabled.

A number of bills were passed. Objections being made to bring up Cameron's resolution for adjournment, both houses from Friday to January [illegible], Cameron withdrew the motion.

After the morning hour, Boutwell and Dawes formally presented the statues of Samuel Adams and John Winthrop.

Wright said he would, immediately after the morning hour Friday, move to consider the Senate bill declaring the true interest and meaning of the Pacific railroad act, approved July 1, 1862, July 2, 1864, and July 3, 1866.

Mitchell's resolution of investigation of the appointment of Cronin, was taken up and discussed by Mitchell, Morton and Bogy. The latter did not think it was proper to ventilate the character of Gov. Grover, who apparently did his duty honestly and faithfully. How could Watts be elected when the constitution said he could not? Votes given him were a nullity; Grover would certify to falsehood in giving him a certificate.

Before Bogy concluded, the Senate adjourned.

House.

The judiciary committee reported, favoring Congress' power to compel the production of telegrams. Hurd made a minority report, which asserts that a description of telegrams should accompany demands.

Knott offered a substitute declaring telegrams have no more privilege than oral or other letters, [illegible] must be produced when called for.

Wood from the ways and means committee, reported a resolution for the adjournment of the House from next Saturday to Wednesday, the 27th, [illegible] from Saturday, the 30th, to January 3d.

Wilson suggested that such adjournment was unfair to Western members, who might wish to spend the holidays at home; besides it seriously interrupted business.

Wood said the committee had reached this decision after mature deliberation. He moved the previous question, which the House seconded, and the main question was ordered.

Wood explained that the committee understood that no business would be done between Friday next and January 3d.

Burchard, of the committee, said some members thought [illegible]

[illegible]

Senate.

Washington, Dec. 20.

[illegible]

... Mitchel of being exercised at a very small thing in the Oregon case and yet not [illegible] all southern frauds. He read a letter of Long, Republican candidate for the Louisiana legislature, declining to receive an election from the returning board, saying his opponent was fairly elected. He said Long [illegible] was powerful. [illegible] [illegible] representatives [illegible] people could not afford to [illegible] wrong. The President was reported as saying he should deliver the government to Hayes, if the latter was declared elected. The President had nothing to do with it. The people's good sense would see justice done. He argued the President of the Senate had no more right to count the votes than a page, unless chosen as the President of the joint convention.

Sherman questioned if the returning board returned Long to the Louisiana Assembly. The solid will of the people of Oregon had been fairly expressed for Hayes, and he was entitled to three electoral votes there. He would apply the same rule to Florida which was governed by her special laws. If Hayes became satisfied he had not a majority of the legal votes of Florida and Louisiana, he would not accept the Presidency and he (Sherman) would not want him to. He argued that the Louisiana board was legally constituted, and its returns remained unimpeached. He was satisfied he spoke Governor Hayes' sentiments in saying that if that gentleman should become convinced the returning board of Louisiana or Florida had acted wrong, he would make no claim to the office of President. Such proof was wanting. He could show from evidence now before the Senate that the vote of Louisiana should in fairness be counted for Hayes. Adjourned.

House.

The Speaker said there was a gentleman in the city bringing congratulations from the Irish people to the Americans on account of the Centennial year.

Holman asked unanimous consent to offer a resolution reciting that J. O'Connor Power, M. P., was deputized to present the Irish congratulations and referring the subject to the foreign committee, with instructions to report necessary action.

Terry, from committee on military affairs, reported a bill providing for the payment of certain improvements on land now embraced in the Fort Cameron military reservation, Utah Territory; passed.

Piper introduced a bill granting to the Alaska Ship-building and Lumber Company the right to occupy certain lands in Alaska.

Lane, from committee on public lands, reported a bill for the sale of desert lands in California; ordered printed and recommitted.

Holman's resolution about Irish congratulations was, after discussion, adopted.

Platt then asked unanimous consent for the introduction of a resolution of inquiry into the charge of Hewitt against the New York postoffice.

Luttrell objected.

Chittenden asked leave to introduce for reference to the banking committee, a bill for funding the legal tenders.

Holman objected.

It provides, first, that the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized to withdraw, as soon as necessary preparations can be made, U. S. legal tender notes whenever presented, and issue therefor dollar for dollar, face value, coupon or registered U. S. bonds in spirit of the original act provided the bonds authorized by this act shall be payable in gold forty years from January 1, 1877, and bear four per cent. interest, payable quarterly in gold; second, that bonds authorized by this act shall be available for U. S. Treasury deposit; third, that legal tenders received in exchange for these bonds shall be destroyed.

Holman made a conference report on the bill providing for the expenses of investigating committees, which was agreed to.

The trial of Geo. Boulden and John Souders, accused of mail robbery, and Jas. Trask, charged with mail and changing the quality of [illegible] commenced on the 11th at [illegible]

CITIZENS MEETING AT ASH[illegible]

Ashland, Ogn., D[illegible]

To the Editor of the Oregonian:

The citizens of Ashland held a [illegible] the evening of the 16th instant to [illegible] lic expression of their views in [illegible] late illegal and revolutionary acts of [illegible] Grover and Secretary Chadwick [illegible] nouncement called forth a large [illegible] The meeting was organized by the [illegible] James Kilgore as chairman, [illegible] stated the causes which had called [illegible] together. The following [illegible] then presented for adoption:

Whereas, We hold that [illegible] quiescence in the will of a [illegible] tionally and legally expressed [illegible] citizen, and that any [illegible] to the proper judiciary [illegible] and treasonable; and

Whereas, L. F. Grover [illegible] S. F. Chadwick [illegible]

[illegible]

friend H. Y. T[illegible] india-rubber [illegible] considered, and [illegible]

[illegible]

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Other than the above we can only refer [illegible] ple of Oregon for reference to the fact [illegible] still live," and the further fact that [illegible] the laws of Oregon not only our [illegible] cluding office fixtures) are pledged for the [illegible] of our liabilities, but every dollar of our [illegible] fortunes are liable to the bank creditors [illegible] private fortunes, too, are "limited." A [illegible] gests that our office fixtures are [illegible] is trying to "bear" our credit, and we [illegible] against him.

[illegible]

The Daily Oregonian.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 21, 1876.

IN RE SEVERAL PORTLAND LAWYERS.

The people of Ashland have held a meeting to express their sense of the wrong done by the Governor and Secretary of State in counting the electoral vote of Oregon. We publish this morning a report of the proceedings of the meeting, from which it will be seen that the indignation of Ashland, or of that part of it which attended the meeting, reaches beyond the decision of the Secretary and Governor, and embraces, as well, the lawyers who presented the legal points in the case. We have never been able to appreciate the arguments on which the Governor and Secretary relied to sustain their jurisdiction over the matter; and the opinion given by a jurist of such acknowledged ability as Judge O. C. Pratt, in support of their position, has not been sufficient to convert us from the belief that they exceeded their lawful authority when they assumed *judicial* powers. It is, therefore, no surprise to us that people who believe as we do on this aspect of the case—and especially people who, not being lawyers, have not become so accustomed as the lawyers are [illegible] equally absurd decisions made [illegible] of justice—should feel themselves called upon to give public expression to their disapproval of the act.

But when they go so far as to denounce as dishonorable and unworthy the lawyers who presented the legal question, it [illegible] their proceedings are subject [illegible] criticism. A lawyer who believed, [illegible] Pratt, that Cronin was legally [illegible] the certificate and that the [illegible] Governor had power under [illegible] to determine upon his [illegible] him the certificate, acted [illegible] the legitimate and proper [illegible] his profession when he took [illegible] to argue the question before [illegible]. There were one or more lawyers [illegible] Ashland meeting, and we venture [illegible] that there was not a lawyer [illegible] would not take employment to [illegible] any tribunal which he thought [illegible] and demand a certificate [illegible] office, for any man, of [illegible] considered legally en[illegible] unless he was [illegible] party standing would be [illegible] political prospects [illegible]. We make it still [illegible] there is not a lawyer [illegible] who would not do so, unless [illegible] the selfish motive suggested. [illegible] A lawyer who holds his [illegible] merely ancillary to his [illegible] politician, would be careful [illegible] party. We venture to [illegible] that a popular meeting [illegible] itself to denounce [illegible] such as Judge Strong, [illegible] the firm of Thayer [illegible] and [illegible], all of whom made [illegible] the right of Cronin [illegible] election, and all [illegible] and of high [illegible] this city where they [illegible] to the world what [illegible] are likely to do [illegible] the inspiration of [illegible] prejudices, and not [illegible] of intelligent and [illegible]

[illegible] COAL.

[illegible] year nearly the en[illegible] Portland has come [illegible] Wales. A half dozen [illegible] sold here at prices [illegible] to $8 per ton, duties [illegible] number of English ships [illegible] to this port and San [illegible] with grain for England, [illegible] to buy coal in Australia [illegible] five or six dollars per [illegible] in ballast.

[illegible] of New South Wales [illegible] the 29th to the 35th parallel [illegible] Sydney is the center [illegible] the coal having [illegible] hundred miles to [illegible] and to the west. [illegible] so vast that two [illegible] over them at dis[illegible] from Sydney, which [illegible] railway runs through [illegible] its entire length, [illegible] miles south of the [illegible] principal shipping point. [illegible] the British navy sta[illegible] are all supplied with [illegible] in the markets of India [illegible] with the English, [illegible] in Oregon and in California [illegible] competing with American [illegible] at prices much lower than [illegible] can possibly mine it for, [illegible] is bought by the cargo at [illegible] per ton. The steady increase [illegible] shown by the following statement:

	Tons		Tons
[illegible]	[illegible]	1872	1,012 426
[illegible]	47,810	1873	1,192 802
[illegible]	342,067	1874	1,304,567
[illegible]	[illegible]		

[illegible] the last eleven months the [illegible] of Sydney coal sold in San Francisco amounted to 124,163 tons—the quantity of Washington Territory coal (Bellingham Bay and Seattle) was only 101,-[illegible]

[illegible] principal mines are located back of Newcastle and within 15 or 20 miles of the [illegible]. Newcastle has a fine harbor, which [illegible] carrying upwards of 2000 tons can [illegible] enter. The "Averill," the "Agricultural," the "Australian," and other [illegible] collieries are operated by English [illegible], and with comparatively cheap [illegible], and employ an immense money capital. They are operated on the most scientific mining principles, and can produce coal much cheaper than our Pacific coal mines, and since such large quantities are liable to be brought here in ballast by grain ships for years to come, it is likely it will seriously interfere with the development of the coal interest in Washington Territory and Oregon. Coal lands [illegible] be developed here without the incentive of profit, and no profit can be made [illegible] coal on the Pacific coast if it has [illegible] into competition with a first-class [illegible] that is sold at $5 per ton.

[illegible] Seattle and Bellingham Bay collieries, [illegible] in operation for six years [illegible], have never yet, we are informed, paid a dividend to the stockholders, and they are not likely to for years to come if they are to be met by this ever increasing competition from New South Wales.

We remarked yesterday that some of the authorities cited by Governor Grover to sustain his action in the electoral vote case, do not support him. For proof of this we call attention to the case of *Crawford vs Dunbar*, decided by the supreme court of California very recently. The governor cites this case as authority for the proposition that "votes cast for a person ineligible, or a person incapable of being chosen, are nullities." The court, in that case, held exactly the contrary doctrine. Counsel for Dunbar insisted that such was the law, but the court overruled the point, and held that while votes cast for a person who was ineligible could not be counted for the purpose of electing him, they were *not* nullities, and must be taken into consideration as affecting the right of the minority candidate to the office; and on this opinion the judgment of the court was based, *denying* the office to the minority candidate, and *declaring the office vacant*. Justice to the governor requires us to state that this case is cited by him in that part of his opinion in which the discussion is directed particularly to the question of Watts' right to the office; but still the fact remains that the court did *not* decide that the votes cast for the ineligible candidate were "nullities," but exactly the reverse.

The Springfield (Mass.) *Republican*, in its prospectus just issued for the New Year, lays down in a single sentence the best platform that a political journal can adopt. It says:

> The *Republican* aims not so much to convince its readers, as to enlighten them—to furnish the material for their own independent judgment, rather than to lead the way to their partisan action.

That is the platform upon which the *Republican* has stood for some years, and which has made it one of the most influential, because one of the most reliable papers in the Republic. It gives its readers "all the news, and the truth about it," and then, if its opinions do not suit them, they have the facts upon which to form opinions of their own. With decided opinions, which it never attempts to conceal, on all political questions, it asks nobody to accept its opinions but presents the whole truth on both sides, and leaves every reader to form his own opinions. Such a journal is as much above the party organ as the conscientious and truthful witness in a court of justice is above the fellow who is hired by an unscrupulous litigant to "swear the case through."

The San Francisco *Chronicle* returns to the attack on Judge Deady, publishing a long and scurrilous communication from David M. Hanson, accusing the judge of persecuting Frank Tompkins and the others who were convicted with him of robbing the mails. We are not disposed to follow this matter to the extent of replying to everything which the malice of these people may prompt them to say, but it is proper that the public be placed in possession of such facts as will enable them to form a correct estimate of the character of those from whom the infamous slanders spring. This man Hanson says he was engaged some months in working up the case for the conviction, but he conceals the *fact* that *he is the brother of one of them*. That fact explains his malice, and suggests what credit is to be given his statements. His story is a falsehood from beginning to end, as is well known in this community where the facts in the case are familiar to all.

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J. H. PILKINGTON, M. D., P. S.
Le F. A. SHAW, Past Great Sachem.
W. H. UTTER, Great District Deputy.
G. FRANZ, P. S.
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Reception Committee.
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Cor. of Salmon and First Streets.
A LARGE STOCK OF
DRESS GOODS,
In all the New Shades, at 25c per yd. and upwards.
FINE FRENCH BLACK CASHMERES, 40 in. wide, $1 per yd.
FINE FRENCH COL'D CASHMERES, in all the new shades, at reduced rates.
BLACK ALPACAS, 25c per yd. and upwards.
BLACK and COL'D EMPRESS CLOTHS.
A full Stock of Bleached and Brown SHEETINGS, in all widths.
COTTON and WOOL FLANNELS, at prices below competition.
WATERPROOFS, in Plaid and Plain colors, 75c to $1 25 per yd.
FELT SKIRTS, 75c and upwards.
COTTON and WOOL HOSIERY, all qualities.
A good quality Two-Button KID GLOVE, $1 00 per pair.
Best quality French Two-Button KID GLOVE, $1 50 per pair.
1000 Articles of FANCY GOODS, too numerous to mention.
Ladies' and Gents' FURNISHING GOODS, at all prices.
We guarantee our Goods to be just as represented and we DEFY COMPETITION.
J. F. D. WRINKLE & CO.,
Cor. First and Salmon sts.

[illegible] HAIR GOODS.
MRS. E. S. WEISS,
No. 50 Morrison St., Butterick's Pattern Agency,
HAS JUST RECEIVED A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT of HAIR GOODS, which she is offering at astonishingly reasonable prices.
Price List—Finest Quality Hair Switches.

22 inches	2½ ounces weight			$5 00
24 "	3 "	"		8 00
26 "	3½ "	"		10 00
28 "	4 "	"		12 00
28 "	4½ "	"		15 00
30 "	5 "	"		20 00

A Handsome collection of CURLS is unsurpassed. The Marguerita Wave is the latest novelty. She begs to announce that having made arrangements with a first-class Wig-maker, she is prepared to receive orders for every kind of Wig. [illegible]

P. van FRIDAGH,
Dry Goods, Millinery, Notions.
A Complete Stock in Every Department of
Fall and Winter Styles
LADIES' GENTLEMEN'S & CHILDREN'S UNDERCLOTHING.

[illegible] WANTED.
A BOOKKEEPER OR SALESMAN, IN a manufacturing establishment wanted. Will loan $[illegible] on good security. Legal security given. Address W. L. A., Lock Box 32, Salem, Oregon. d20d2w

HOUSE WANTED.
BY A [illegible] HOUSE IN VICINITY OF POST OFFICE [illegible] rooms, [illegible] lease for a year or [illegible] small family. Address S. H. W., this office.

MEN AND WOMEN MAKE FROM $8 to $15 per day selling our beautiful and popular OIL CHROMOS. If you want to make money do not fail to send for our portfolio containing 22 large and quick selling Chromos. Largest variety in the world. [illegible] N. W. corner Kearny and Geary sts, San Francisco.

WANTED.
2,000 TWO THOUSAND DRESSED HOGS, of the Best Grain Fed, heavy and light, for which the Highest Market Price will be paid, in large or small lots, delivered at the Pork House of [illegible] BARBER,
Portland, Nov. 8, 1876. 180 Main street.

TO LET.
FOR RENT.
[illegible] W. [illegible] RESIDENCE FURNISHED complete with Piano. Beautiful grounds surrounding the residence. Rent low. See DeLASHMUTT & OATMAN. d12d1m

SIX SUITES OF HANDSOMELY FINISHED ROOMS, ON the corner of [illegible] and Washington streets, in Fireproof building, at from six to eight dollars per month, suitable for offices or private rooms. See [illegible] DeLASHMUTT & OATMAN.

TO RENT.
ELEVEN ROOMS, IN SUITES or SINGLE rooms, corner of Ash and First streets. Apply to ALEX. P. ANKENY.

A LOCUM TENENT,
CORNER OF THIRD AND MARKET STREETS. [illegible] at ALGANSON HOUSE, or to L. [illegible] Agent.

TO RENT.
[illegible] ROOMS TO RENT BY THE DAY [illegible] with use [illegible] of the Parlors. Cor. [illegible] and Ash [illegible] d21d

FOR SALE.
FOR SALE.
THE STORE AND DWELLING, NOW OCCUPIED by J. Beck, at Freeport, Cowlitz county, W. T., together with the Goods and Fixtures. A person with small capital can do a safe and profitable business at this place. d7dawim

FARM FOR SALE.
SITUATED ON THE COLUMBIA RIVER, TWO [illegible] opposite Vancouver, [illegible] The Farm consists of [illegible] acres, [illegible] and a good stock range, besides an excellent orchard. On the Farm are a [illegible] barn [illegible] in good condition, also, good water. The Stock includes [illegible] head of cattle, [illegible] horses, sheep and hogs, [illegible] farming utensils complete. Will be sold at a reasonable figure. Apply on the premises. [illegible]

[illegible] FOR SALE.
[illegible] ONE STORE BUILDING, [illegible] of Goods, [illegible] stock at [illegible] Cowlitz county, [illegible] acres of land [illegible] growth of timber. [illegible] Chehalis Station. For particulars and terms inquire of [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] BOOKS,
STANDARD POETS,
[illegible]
[illegible] Stationery,
[illegible] Wallets,
[illegible] Autograph and Postage Stamp Albums.
[illegible]
TOYS! TOYS!
[illegible]
FANCY GOODS
[illegible]
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.
[illegible]
CHAS. [illegible] & CO.
[illegible] Portland, Ogn.

BECK & WALDMAN
[illegible]
their New Store,
NO. 107 FIRST STREET
ON
Wednesday, December 13,
[illegible]
Men's, Youths' and Children's
CLOTHING.
Also, a [illegible] of
[illegible]
[illegible] &c., &c.
[illegible] all of which they call the attention of the public [illegible]
Those in want of a [illegible] CLOTHING or an OVERCOAT for the Holidays will do well to give them a call.
BECK & WALDMAN,
4 Doors South of Odd Fellows' Temple.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.
STEINWAY
PIANOS!
BURDETT
[illegible] ORGANS!
[illegible] IN THE WORLD!
AT
GRAY'S MUSIC STORE.

J. & P. COATS
HAVE BEEN AWARDED A MEDAL AND Diploma at the Centennial Exposition and [illegible] the Judges [illegible]
"Superior Strength and Excellent Quality of Spool Cotton."
A. T. GOSHORN, Director General.
J. R. [illegible], President.
ALEX. R. BOTELER, Sec. pro. tem.
KITTLE & CO., San Francisco,
d16d [illegible] Agents for Pacific Coast.

AUCTION! AUCTION!
W. [illegible] Licensed Pawnbroker, [illegible] Washington street, between First and Second [illegible] Watches, Jewelry, Revolvers and other articles [illegible] will sell during the holidays [illegible] Every description bought and [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] HAS REMOVED TO THE [illegible] corner of First and Alder [illegible] January 1st, 1877. d[illegible]

A[illegible]
OF REAL ESTATE
Sale Days
Furniture
SATURDAY
BEDROOM
FURNITURE
North B[illegible]
CAPITAL
PRICES.
SOAP
A FEW OF THESE [illegible] sale by [illegible] 20
ALL PERSONS [illegible] be indebted [illegible] my store, 73 First [illegible] days, as I am closing [illegible] d2 30t

Oregonian.

ORNING, DEC. 21, 1876.

CITY.

—Ballast which is port by the vessels that carry grain to supply the market the staff of life, is being advantageous manner great- ement of some of our streets. of stone and sand ballast in filling up Couch's lake, and chments thus made have limits of that body of water But more real and perma- in the use of stone ballast the streets of the city. are the most solid and en- quently the most econom- —kind of pavement which Such thoroughfares never very little expense and in good repair, and in the such as visited the city in macadam roads *never float.* to note that E street, which almost impassable during is being macadamized by

Tuesday afternoon an Francisco to the West- Company's office in to have a condensed synop- decision in the Watts- words, sent to that city, before the operators com- a countermanding order to have the *entire* decision work of transmitting about commenced at 7:30 o'clock completed before 2 o'clock A. —Messrs. Wm. Leahy, Frank Leahy—performed each other at regular in- rather remarkable feat in no little credit on the who accomplished the know how to manip- are an *ornament to the*

—A very large anchor port on the steamer *Ajax,* O. S. S. Co.'s dock. It the large English ship this port, and will soon be There are sixty attached to this ponderous The anchor alone weighs chain and all weigh about and cable appear to a very heavy strain, and firmly and securely the combined force of angry

, who has so long "in the presence the east side road, re- last steamer. He has on a visit to the "old folks at home." and efficient offi- warm friends. will be pleased to see his at his old post. During Mr. Chas. Wilson has on the express

—The executive com- Temperance Associa- last evening. Nomina- members of the commit- were made, and the will meet Wednesday numerous Christmas Saturday evening, the meeting on preceding New another and more will be had.

the records of the Observation, Portland,

[illegible]

Cloudy Foggy

afternoon the unfortunate the unfortunate suicide at San from the First the conclusion of body was placed in Lone Fir Cem- a large num- friends fol- silent city of the

they won't lie, forget that inscri- George Washington. the new steamer to Co. we were made to would be 24 inches in two 40-inch you perceive.

evening the fol- elected by Willamette A. M., to serve for the W. W. J. W.; C. Hodge, Installation will take St. John's Day, Dec. 27, arrived here on to the newly organ- City. The bell is possesses a strong, clear inform the residents the "fiend" turns him- will be shipped to its des-

COLUMBIA.

Co.'s telegraph line, we of the weather was as fol- o'clock at the points

no wind; thermometer thermometer, 30°; no strong up stream wind; river fell one inch and a no wind; thermom- and turning cold again; more ice running to- this morning.

COURTS.

COURT—DEADY, J.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20, 1876.

C. J. Hendry vs the U. S. argument closed and cause

more to buy jewelry—the

dollars' worth of chromos to be sold at Kilbourn's auc- commencing to-day.

and Shoe House.—You can al- what you want, at lowest prices.

novelties to be found at Hen- Christmas presents.

Furniture Manufacturing Co. with a splendid assortment of fold cheap and handsome.

China tea sett can be bought from $7 50 to $15—a nice Christ-

Table. Claret served for dinner without extra charge, to-day.

segars and meerschaum goods,

Albums, Parlor Games, at Gill's.

fashionable clothing, go to Kohn's

and Broadway candies,

Books, Family Bibles, at Gill's.

oranges, limes, figs, dates, nuts, corner First and Ash.

that displayed at B.

COMMON COUNCIL.

REGULAR MEETING, DEC. 20, 1876.

The common council of the city of Portland met pursuant to ordinance, His Honor Mayor J. A. Chapman presiding.

Present—W. S. Caldwell, clerk; Capt. Sloan, *ex of.* chief of police, and councilmen Andrus, Blumauer, Corbett, Harrington, Lambert, Skidmore, Stemme, Stephens, Wiley.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, ETC.

The following petition was read:

To the honorable Mayor and Common Council of the city of Portland: We the undersigned, tax payers of the city of Portland, do most respectfully remonstrate against the city assessment returned by the city assessor, as being incorrect, injudicious and injurious to us as citizens. The general rate at which property is assessed shows such a glaring disparity between it and the county and State assessments as to give the impression outside the city that the county and State assessment was made to avoid our just share of the taxes, whereas we believe the county and state assessment is in the main just and equitable, considering the general depression in business and the falling off in the price of real estate. We most respectfully ask your honorable body to cause such a general and thorough revision of the city assessment as shall be just and equitable, and be as nearly in uniformity with the State and county taxes as consistent with equity and justice.

The above petition was referred to the committee on ways and means.

The petition of L. M. Dyer, asking permission to rebuild a wooden building in the fire limits, was read and referred to the committee on fire and water.

The petition of C. P. Bacon, asking the raising of the grade on Stark street, was read and referred to the committee on streets and public property.

The petition of W. S. Chapman, asking that he be allowed $60 as part of his compensation as city assessor; read and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The petition of A. Bushwiller, asking that the council order certain ordinances printed in the City Directory; read and referred to the judiciary committee.

The petition of P. E. Hyland and others, asking that a street lamp be erected at the corner of E and Seventh streets; read and referred to the judiciary committee.

The petition of ——, asking the refunding of $5 50 balance due him, arising from the sale of estrays, was read and the amount ordered paid.

The remonstrance of H. McKinnell and others, against putting in a sewer on Main street, was read and referred to the committee on streets and public property.

The *remonstrance* of L. A. Goddard and others against the proposed improvement of Morrison street, was read and referred to the same committee.

The remonstrances against the improvement of South Fourth, and also against the improvement of the intersections of Morrison and Alder streets, were read and referred to the committee on streets and public property.

The committee on ways and means submitted the following report:

To the Honorable the Common Council: The undersigned have had under consideration the assessment roll, returned by the city assessor, December 1, 1876, and respectfully beg leave to report:

The assessed valuation of property is as follows—

Lands and lots	$ 6,736,550
Improvements thereon	4,086,200
Personal property	6,826,480
Total valuation	$17,649,230
Indebtedness	2,058,680
Net valuation	$15,590,550

The valuation of the assessment roll of the year previous was—

Lands and lots	$ 3,562,300
Improvements	2,506,000
Personal property	4,112,050
Total valuation	$10,179,850
Indebtedness	2,719,450
Net valuation	$7,460,200

It is evident that one or both of these assessments must be erroneous, the roll filed December 1, 1876, showing an increase of valuation of—

Lands and lots	$3,174,250
Improvements	1,58[illegible]
Personal property	2,714,[illegible]
Indebtedness, decrease	660,770
Total net increase (108 96-100ths % cent)	$8,130,350

The tax levied on the roll, returned December, 1875, was 6 5-10ths mills. A tax of 3 46 1000ths mills on the roll 1876 would produce the same revenue, provided no changes were made.

The valuations for indebtedness will, however, be very materially increased, judging from the applications already filed.

It is hardly necessary to remind you that the market value of [illegible] property has not increased during the last year, in fact the small amount of sales not forced, during the year, renders it difficult to determine what is a true cash value.

We are clearly of the opinion that there is a necessity for a thorough revision and reduction of valuations of lands, lots and improvements, with some exceptions. The expressed views of a large number of tax payers, many of whom are familiar with the subject of taxation, are to the same effect.

For purposes of municipal taxation, the listing of property at its cash valuation is not only the law, but for many reasons preferable to a low assessment. Care, however, should be taken not to exceed a fair market value, and especially that all values be made proportionate and uniform. With some exceptions the valuations of personal property cannot safely be disturbed except upon application of the parties interested. Owing to circumstances within your knowledge, the time allowed the assessor in which to make his returns was very short, and to this cause may be ascribed in a great measure any lack of uniformity that may exist.

We recommend that the Council provide by ordinance,

1st. For a revision and reduction of the valuation placed by the assessor upon lands, lots and improvements, to a basis which will be accepted as a fair cash valuation, and that the provisions of section 2 of ordinance No. 1113 requiring the filing of claims for reduction, be suspended until further notice, except as to personal property.

2d. That the notice required by section 2 of said ordinance be withdrawn until the completion of such revision, and that the notice be then renewed and applications for revisions received as provided by section 3, for thirty days from the date of said notice.

3d. That the operation of so much of section 4 of said ordinance as requires all alterations and corrections to be reported to the Common Council, be suspended for the time being.

E. J. W. STEMME,
S. G. SKIDMORE,
JOS. R. WILEY,
Committee on Ways and Means.

The committee on streets and public property reported adversely to the petition of the O. & C. R. R. Co. asking leave to lay a side track on South Fourth street; report adopted.

The city attorney reported on the cases in the circuit court of Multnomah county vs. W. H. Adams and W. H. Adams vs. Multnomah county, which was read and referred to the judiciary committee.

CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY.

The following claims against the city were ordered paid: Park & Lacy, $2; T. A. Davis & Co., $39 99; M. S. Hart, $4; Plasterer, $6 50; OREGONIAN Publishing Co., $6; A. Hamilton, (four bills) $528 72; W. H. Butts, $209 30; M. S. Hart, $29 60; P. Gilbert, $9; B. Nathan, $12 50; James Ellison, $25; John O'Neil, $20 77; J. R. Brigham, $31 75.

ORDINANCES.

An ordinance to provide for revising and correcting the city assessment roll, and suspending the operation of ordinance 1,113, was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance appropriating $500 to pay for the city assessment made by W. S. Chapman, was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance to provide the time and manner of improving Pine street, between Second and Fifth streets, was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance declaring the cost of improving Hall street, between Front and West Park streets, was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance making an appropriation out of the Hall street fund was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance declaring the cost of improving Montgomery street, between Tenth and Thirteenth streets, was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance appropriating $632 24 out of the Montgomery street fund was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance declaring the cost of improving Market street, between Fifth and Sixth streets, read first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance appropriating $77 10 out of the Market street fund was read a first and second time, rule suspended, ordinance read a third time and passed.

An ordinance authorizing the lease of the old city jail at $10 per month was read twice and laid over under the rules.

NOMINATION REJECTED.

A communication from the Mayor announcing the appointment of W. H. Adams as police judge, was read and on the motion to confirm the vote stood, ayes 3, noes 6. So the appointment was not confirmed.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The auditor was instructed to give notice that the council propose to improve South Second street between Sherman and Sheridan streets.

The auditor was instructed to draw a warrant on the treasury for $500 in favor of W. S. Chapman for making the assessment upon the approval of the ordinance making appropriation therefor.

The committee on fire and water was authorized to expend $10 for work at No. 2 engine House.

On motion council adjourned until Wednesday, Dec. 27th, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

BRIEF NOTES.

U. S. Circuit Court to day.

Bal masque to-morrow evening.

Show windows look tempting now.

A thing of the past—the Progress Club.

Due and payable—school and county taxes.

New Market Theater—"The Two Orphans."

Coal oil is very high and little in the market.

Weathercocks unpropitious for skating prospects.

Steamer *Gussie Telfair* due at this port from Sitka.

Cold, foggy and generally disagreeable yesterday.

After to-morrow the days will begin to grow longer.

The river is within two feet of extreme low water mark.

Now is the most appropriate time to remember your friend.

The mammoth ox is on exhibition in front of Central Market.

Christmas trees will be given in most of the churches of the city.

Everybody who can afford it is picking out his Christmas turkey.

Steamer *Ajax* will sail hence for San Francisco Saturday morning at 6 o'clock.

It takes lots of steam and grit (sand) to enable the locomotive to climb the *Fourth* street grade.

Johnny Holton, whose health is very precarious, proposes to spend the coming winter in Southern California.

The prow of the *Ajax* is a little scratched from her rude contact with the *Shoo-Fly*, on her last trip down the river.

One would know that Christmas is near at hand by the evergreen decorations which are being made at every corner.

The little sloop, *Annie Devlin*, belonging to Capt. J. R. Wiley, lies stranded on the east shore, just north of the foot of J street.

The new buildings are being finished up for those who expect to occupy the same within three weeks. A general change and a great improvement.

Andrew Hill, Esq., formerly city assessor for Portland, whose failing health compelled him to seek a milder climate, is *now residing* in Southern California.

Lieut. Guy Howard, who has been stationed for some time at Angel Island, San Francisco bay, has been ordered to proceed in charge of a detachment of recruits to Fort Yuma.

Old 1876 has donned his great coat, cap and gloves, ready to say good by and make room for fresh and vigorous 1877, who is soon to be introduced to the world by Father Time.

Now that the season is o'er for base ball, shinny, hop scotch, marbles, and for taking lessons on the devil's harp, our juveniles are at a loss to know how to kill spare time.

W. S. Ladd, Esq., our highly esteemed fellow townsman, we learn, now sojourning in the Quaker city, under medical treatment. His health is still quite precarious.

Yesterday the stores of Messrs. Corbitt & Macleay, and W. Jackson & Co., were closed during the funeral of the late Wm. Wilbur Norton, the father of the deceased being employed with the former firm and his brother with the latter.

H. S. Hutchings of Marysville, Cal., will start 8,000 head of sheep for Walla Walla next spring.

Go to Kohn's for your clothing.

Christmas and New Year's Cards, at Gill's.

Mrs. B. A. Owens, M. D., Office and residence east side First street, between Yamhill and Taylor. Special attention given to Women and Children complaints. Also gives Medicated Vapor Baths, combined with Electricity, in treating Rheumatism and Chronic Diseases.

DR. HALPRUNER, CHIROPODIST.

Office in Allisky & Hegele's building 105 First street, is prepared to treat all complaints of the feet. Satisfaction guaranteed and prices reasonable. The Doctor will treat ladies and gentlemen at their residences, when desired.

W. L. ADAMS, M. D., A. M., LL. D., corner of First and Salmon streets, is curing the most inveterate chronic diseases of all kinds at low prices, by medicated, electric lightning steam baths, and by combining the German and French with the American improved practice, mixed with a little common sense. His treatment is, in the main, entirely original, and works almost miracles, as his numerous patrons will attest. Is extraordinarily successful in treating female complaints.

Sore eyes speedily relieved. The worst form of piles cured, and the most malignant cancers eradicated root and branch without the use of the knife, or the money refunded.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

The copartnership existing between Joe Oppenheimer and Henry Ackerman, better known as Ackerman's Dollar Store, will be dissolved January 1, 1877. It is imperatively necessary that our stock be disposed of before that time. It being a very large and complete one, comprising in the main elegant Holiday Presents, Crockery, Glass and Fine Plated Ware, it will be readily seen that great sacrifices must be made to dispose of it all within the time set.

The attention of the public, and especially of dealers throughout the State, is called to the above.

ACKERMAN'S DOLLAR STORE.

Know all people by these presents, that I, *Santa Claus*, arrived per steamer *Geo. W. Elder*, and have left my *Budget of Toys* and Christmas Presents with Wm. Beck & Son, for distribution in the city of Portland.

SANTA CLAUS.

PROGRESS CLUB ROOMS

I have taken charge of the Progress Club Rooms, and cordially invite the former guests of the Club and my acquaintances. Lunch from 12 to 1 P. M. The fine Hall and Rooms will be rented to Clubs, also for Private Parties, Balls, etc.

H. BRENNER.

FINNEN'S HAVANA CIGAR STORE,

Opposite Strowbridge's Block, has on hand and for sale a large assortment of fine Cigars, Chewing and Smoking Tobacco, the best, cheapest and largest assortment in the city. Call, judge for yourself, and be convinced that I give more satisfaction for your money than any other retail store here.

98 FIRST STREET.

NOTICE.

The undersigned in taking leave of Portland returns his sincere thanks for the liberal patronage that has been bestowed, and would bespeak for his successors a continuance of the same.

Both DRS. BARBER & SICKLIN, are gentlemen in every way competent and worthy of any confidence that may be placed in them, and as such I can conscientiously recommend them to my former friends and patrons.

I. H. HATCH.

J. H. BRENNER

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(Odd Fellows' Temple.)

AMUSEMENTS.

"THE TWO ORPHANS."—This new and sensational drama in 7 tableaux will be produced at New Market theater this evening, for the first time in Portland. For several days past the piece has been in careful course of preparation, rehearsals having been held day and night since the arrival of Mr. Jack and Miss Firmin. Every attention has been bestowed on the multifarious details of the drama, and nothing important to the full and complete effect of the situations and incidents of the plot has been omitted. The play will be produced with new scenery, new costumes and the original music incidental to the piece. Mr. R. C. White, the very clever scenic artist, is engaged day and night in preparing new scenery expressly for the drama. From the pains, care and study bestowed, this beautiful and thrilling play seems to give every assurance of being presented in a very satisfactory manner to the public. Its first appearance here should be greeted with an overflowing house. Mr. Jack, who assumes the *role* of "Pierre," the Cripple, is a character actor of acknowledged ability, he having followed the histrionic profession for more than 20 years. He supported George Rignold, the great English actor, who played an engagement last summer in San Francisco, personating, with great public favor, the characters of "Falstaff," in Henry IV, and "Pistol," in Henry V. Miss Annie Firmin, who assumes the character of "Louise," came out to San Francisco over a year ago with the Hooley Comedy Company. She comes with the reputation of being a charming commedienne and songstress. The remainder of the cast is judiciously distributed. We hope to see a crowded house.

One price—no plated jewelry—a large stock and low charges at B. L. Stone's.

Barnes, at the Central Market, can serve you with the best lunches.

The jovial Frank Fabre is now in the new building, Second street, near Morrison.

Grand picture sale at Kilbourn's auction store before the holidays.

Fresh supply. Those persons who were disappointed in procuring one of those beautiful Energy Hats, are informed that Meussdorffer has received a fresh supply, and can meet the wants of everybody.

Captains and pilots will note the fact that Peter Wilhelm has fitted up two rooms for their especial use at the Fountain, corner Ash and First streets. English papers on file, and everything cosy.

B. L. Stone has the largest and most complete stock of jewelry and silverware and diamonds.

Having purchased the interest of W. H. Andrus, Esq., in the Occidental Hotel, I will be happy to meet my friends in future at this house.

THOMAS SMITH.

The end. The end of the year has come the end of all things approacheth; there must come an end to an old hat; but in the language of Meussdorffer so much the better. He can sell new ones cheap.

Go to Kohn's clothing palace, corner First and Morrison streets.

A man who drinks lightly is now called a "Durham" because he is of the short horn breed, but he is a thorough rec. if he drinks none but Nobl Whisky pure from its source. Millard & Van Schuyver, agents, 80 Front street.

August Flower.

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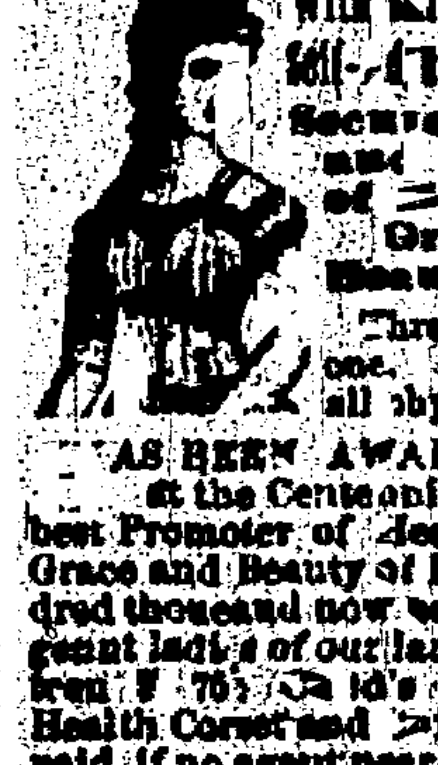

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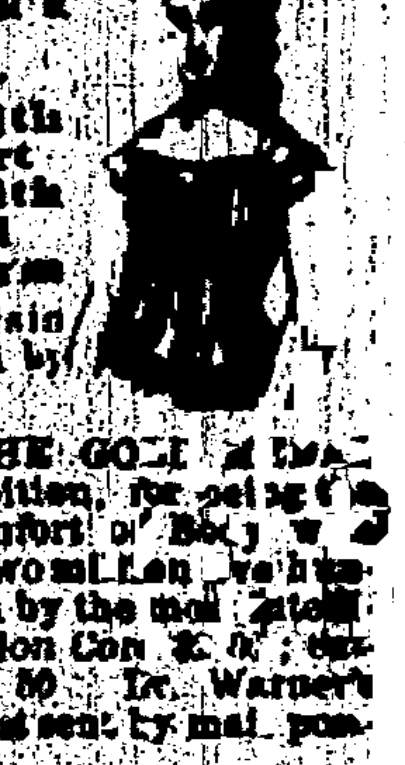

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TERN QUESTION.

sian Subsidy.

20.—Gen. Nikitine who is e to-day, brings a million d by the Russian govern- tation of the Servian troops. ul-general has officially in- s that all Russian officers ia are to be considered as e Russian army, and are to pay usual in the Russian officers of reserve received the frontier immediately.

of the Conference.

9.—A Vienna correspondent Russia desires that the un- ed at ir preliminary con- embodied in an indentical ted by each ambassador to at the Porte should be in- on the points mentioned in bject of this proceeding is to she is obstinate, place herself the will of united Europe. sed will probably be adopted cations. It is quite surpris- [illegible] inary conference has recon- p nions. There is no longer forming tributary States, but which are limited to ad- [illegible]. Even in this respect, which have prevailed have [illegible]. The impracticability [illegible]armament of Mahometans [illegible]ised and prohibition against public substituted. The nd the administration entirely ives of the various districts onsiderably modified. There probability not only of the conference among Euro- the Turks may be even tiesce in the reform scheme lifications. It is thought the [illegible] must have been only very general way at the pre- so as not to become an ob- been throughout, most re- [illegible] disposition on all sides [illegible] everything which [illegible] agency reports that [illegible] sittings will be [illegible] at the con- [illegible] of the week. The [illegible] between England and [illegible] conciliatory char-

[illegible] Dec. 20.—The Imperial [illegible] Midhat Pasha, Grand Vizier, pointment is made because the a satisfactory solution of the one, while confirming at the before the whole world the and interests of the empire. [illegible] Dec. 20.—Great Britain's [illegible] proposal regarding the [illegible] by neutral troops, has [illegible]. It is understood [illegible] and it is believed [illegible]

[illegible] Times leader on the [illegible] It is interesting to observe [illegible] as well as [illegible] original position re- Eastern question. A few days [illegible] that Russia would abandon [illegible] occupation of Bulgaria, if [illegible] province some other [illegible]. We also mentioned a [illegible] duty of police should be [illegible] of some small na- [illegible]. We have yet to see [illegible] consent to undertake [illegible] in the mere fact that [illegible] a scheme to be [illegible] we find a striking [illegible] to which the [illegible] of Turkey have [illegible] the Marquis [illegible] the support o [illegible] resistance, the [illegible] the necessity o

[illegible] Approved.

[illegible] The plenipoten- [illegible] from their [illegible] approving the decis- [illegible] conference. [illegible] The ministry have re- [illegible] misunderstanding [illegible] between the sentries of [illegible] Turkish Government [illegible] monitor [illegible] yesterday. [illegible] fired from the fort [illegible] Austrian consul, [illegible] who was on board, [illegible] to advance [illegible] The gun [illegible] accidentally exploded [illegible] and four [illegible] wounding seven others. [illegible] the fort again fired their [illegible] the monitor was [illegible] Milan sent Minister [illegible] consul with apologies [illegible] that the commander of [illegible]. This is the mis-

[illegible] The chamber of deputies [illegible] the bill raising the military forces to 200,000 men.

TIC CABLE.

in France.

[illegible] inister Washburn has [illegible] apologies to Duke [illegible] foreign affairs, for the [illegible] of Capt. Auffrere, naval [illegible] legation at Washington [illegible] of the French commissioners to [illegible] Exhibition, at the instance of [illegible] exhibition policemen.

stitutional Rights.

[illegible] Dec. [illegible]—In the Senate to-day, Quertier, president of financial [illegible] that the Senate re- [illegible] budget [illegible] grants for army [illegible] for religious purposes [illegible] en out by the Chamber [illegible] the Senate would there- [illegible] it should exercise as [illegible] theirs. The course [illegible] by M. Pouyer Quertier, if fo- [illegible] conflict between the [illegible] claim that ac- [illegible] measures, consequently [illegible] budget any item which [illegible] by deputies.

Extradition.

Dec. 20.—[illegible] Charles Brent, Louisville [illegible] to an English detect- [illegible] Minister Pierrepont to receive [illegible] leave to-night for Queenstown [illegible] the United States.

[illegible] the Apology.

[illegible] Minister Washburne did [illegible] Decazes the apologies of [illegible] arrest of Capt. Auffrye [illegible]

in Distress.

[illegible] The steamer City of Bris- [illegible] pool Dec. 6th for Phila- [illegible] back to Queenstown. She [illegible] bowsprit and all at- [illegible] a northwest gale, on the 14th [illegible] officer and four men were [illegible] drowned.

for America.

[illegible] The steamship Adriatic, [illegible] New York to-morrow, takes [illegible]

Preachers and Teachers.

[illegible] Dec. 20.—The financial com- [illegible] have agreed to the pro- [illegible] the budget grants of [illegible] stipends of the clergy [illegible] scholarships in seminaries, [illegible] been stricken out by the [illegible]. The committee, how- [illegible] the suppression of two [illegible] amounts for religious [illegible] will move the appoint- [illegible] of a delegation to confer [illegible] committee of deputies on [illegible]

[illegible] of Oak Harbor, Whidby Island, up a petition asking that Oak [illegible] on the mail route between [illegible]. Oak Harbor is assum- quite a little town.

[illegible]LLAMOOK!

[illegible] FARRELL.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Financial.

(WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 20, 1876

Gold in New York, 107⅛.

Legal Tenders in Portland—buying 91½; selling 92½.

Silver Coin—buying, 94; selling, 95.

The week, so far, has developed but little that is new in regard to financial matters in local circles, the principal movement being by those who are aiming to square up their accounts at the close of the year. Ordinarily we hear but little complaint on account of the closeness of the money market or failures in promptness on part of debtors. True, there are men in business, to a greater or less extent, who so manage as to be always pressed, and hence always have reasons fancied or real to murmur at the condition of affairs, but such is not the rule with our business men generally, and most of them when they are doing a large, active or profitable business, acknowledge the fact with due gratefulness. The year now about to close has not, however, been a most prosperous one properly, and though a good many drawbacks to the commercial interests of the State have occurred, it is still true that the condition of trade every way is more favorable than at the end of 1874 or 1875. Exports have increased, the few home manufactories have been nearly all actively employed a large portion of the time, the mines have turned out well and money is more plentiful in Oregon to day than before for a long time.

The same causes which affect trade throughout the United States affect it here and produce similar results. The "hard times" felt so heavily in the country are apparently almost over. An Eastern exchange says the stringency in the money market and the dullness of business in all its departments were fruitful in benefits as well as hardships, and adds:

The decrease of foreign imports to this country during the expired nine months of the current year amounted to $62,100,000, compared with the same months of 1875. The single item of coffee shows a decrease of nearly $8,500,000, while the decrease in gums is over $500,000; in hides for shoes, etc., nearly $3,500,000; in cotton manufactures, nearly $1,500,000, and there is a large decrease in rags for the manufacture of paper, tin and zinc plates for building, shawls, silks, wires, watches, hair, cigars, and many other things. A saving in most of these articles injures no one, but adds to their own wealth and that of the country.

The Wheat Market

Is not changed in any of its essential features since our last review. The receipts here are quite heavy, and while vessels are having moderate dispatch there are considerable amounts coming to hand which is yet held by farmers or speculators. Exporters are only purchasing to meet their present requirements, and persons who bought very extensively during the last excitement in the market are still holding their purchases for better prices. Shippers appear to be full handed, and disclaim the belief that any important advance is likely to occur soon. But few farmers or others offer large quantities, and sales are decreasing in frequency and amount.

A short time ago we copied from the Reporter an item to the effect that the total receipts of wheat at this place for the months of August, September, October and November, were 784,485 centals, which, added to flour received for a like time, gives the following: Wheat, centals, 784,485; flour, reduced to wheat, [illegible]; total, 1,040,041. Of this amount [illegible] were reported as coming from the Upper Columbia river. The Walla Walla Union says: "These figures may be correct, but we do not believe they are large enough. From very good authority we learn that the Walla Walla and Columbia River R. R. Co. transported over their road, from the opening of navigation to the 1st of December, 16,000 tons of down freight, nine tenths of the amount being grain and flour. There was not over 1,000 tons of grain left over from last year, and the new grain did not fairly begin to move until the 1st of August."

The receipts for the present month have been in excess of any former month, and the aggregate for the five months of the harvest year will also exceed those of any corresponding period in the history of the State.

The trade in nearly all articles of domestic produce has been active this week, and with the fair demand for the usual holiday trade and for shipment, prices are generally sustained.

San Francisco Markets.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Flour—Superfine, $5@5 50; extra, $5 87½@6 37½, for shipping lots payable in gold; $6 to $7 for jobbing lots, payable in silver.

Wheat—Sound lots choice can not be secured less than $2 10; small lots will not command over $2 05.

Barley—Small sales feed at $1 17½@1 20, silver; brewing, $[illegible] 20@1 30, gold.

Oats—$1 80@1 90 for feed; $1 90@2 for milling.

Corn—Large yellow firm at $1 17½@1 20, silver.

Buckwheat—Nominally, $1 50.

Rye—Last consignment reported was at $1 75.

Hops—California quotable at 20@25c; prime lots at 30c.

Potatoes—Sweet, 62½@75c; very choice red held at 90c@$1, but bulk sells at 40@45c.

Gold—107¼.

Legal Tenders—92⅝@93¼.

Trade dollars, [illegible]; halves, 93½@94¼.

Liverpool wheat market to-day, 10s 9d@11s 1d for average California; 10s 11d@11s 6d for club.

Shipping Intelligence.

The American ship Storm King loaded at Astoria by the Salem Flouring Mill Co., has cleared for Europe with a very valuable cargo.

The bark Edward James, hence for Hongkong, arrived at Honolulu on the 1st inst.

The bark Mattie Macleay was in port at Honolulu loading for this place on the 2d of December.

Freight charters were effected in San Francisco in several instances last week at £2 to Liverpool direct, and £2 5s@£2 [illegible]s for orders.

The steamship Ajax will sail for San Francisco on Saturday next at 6 o'clock A. M.

The Br. bark Frinzel sailed from Valparaiso for this port Oct. 21st.

The barkentine Jane A. Falkinburg sailed from Honolulu, S. I., Dec. 1st, for this port with a cargo of produce valued at $39,400.

Boston Wool Market.

BOSTON, Dec. 20.—Wool is in moderate demand; prices steady and firm. Fleeces scarce; most desirable lots held for an advance on current rates. Ohio and Pennsylvania, 45@50c; Michigan and Wisconsin, 39@42c; combing and delaine, 45@55c; pulled, scarce but firm; superfine and extra, 35@46c, including good and choice at 40@46c. California wool in moderate demand: fall, 15@27c.

EXPORTS.

Per American ship Storm King, cleared at Astoria Dec 18th, dispatched by the Salem Flouring Mill Co—10,535¾ bbls flour, valued at $63,208 75; 17,749 centals wheat, $38,160 60; 101 casks tallow, 29,845 lbs, $1,250 70; 1,779 cases beef and tongues, $18,094. Total value of cargo, $120,714 05.

E. [illegible]

Commission Merchants,

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SAUC[illegible]

SALA[illegible]

EPSO[illegible]

SAGO[illegible]

CORE[illegible]

PIAN[illegible]

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CHL[illegible]

WHI[illegible]

Seam[illegible]

WATCHES AND JEWELRY.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!

The Holidays are Approaching

AND YOU WILL WANT JEWELRY & WATCHES at the very lowest prices. My expenses in every way being light, and having purchased goods from first class houses at low prices, I am enabled to undersell all others.

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N.B.—Having opened a Labor Exchange, I request the owners of Fisheries, Sawmills, Bosses in Logging Camps, and Farmers in want of hands; old Farmers, Ranchers and Batches, in want of wives and housekeepers, to send me word by post or otherwise, and I will try to supply their wants. No pay required.

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THE UNDERSIGNED, FORMERLY OF THE Multnomah House, having repainted and refurnished the above named Hotel, is now ready to accommodate the public in a satisfactory manner at the following rates:

Board and Lodging, per week	$5 50
Board per week	4 50
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The Table will always be supplied with the best the market affords.

JOHN SCHADE, Proprietor.

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T. RODGERS HAS REMOVED TO HIS NEW Store on First Street, between Main and Madison, where he has opened a fresh Stock of Ladies', Misses' and Children's

BOOTS AND SHOES,

and intends to sell them at prices to suit the times. Owing to the little expense I am under, enables me to sell Goods at prices that will

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I am also manufacturing Ladies' and Children's WORK to order, which I make a specialty, and will warrant a first class Shoe and a PERFECT FIT or no sale. Give me a call.

BOOTS & SHOES

AT COST!

For the Next 30 Days,

AT THE

City Boot and Shoe Store,

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A. DEILSCHNEIDER is my authorized Agent to conduct and carry on for me said Business.

ELIZABETH DEILSCHNEIDER.

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HAVING CHANGED HANDS, ALL PERSONS knowing themselves indebted to GEO. A. PEASE & CO., will see the necessity of immediate settlement. All store bills must be paid to the new firm, at the old stand, No. 77 First street.

n27d30t GEO A. PEASE & CO.

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Commission Merchants,

EXPORTERS AND DEALERS IN

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FRED'K. TOWNSEND, Manager.

[illegible] & TILTON, BANKERS.

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BERLIN, FRANKFORT-ON-THE-MAIN

CITY ADVERTISEMENTS.

Clay Street.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the assessment made by Ordinance No. 1862 for the improvement of Clay street in the manner provided by Ordinance No. 1819, on each of the following described lots of land fronting upon that part of Clay street lying between West Park street and Front street, as well as those liable for a proportionate share of improving the intersections of streets running at right angles therewith, is due and payable at the office of the City Treasurer, in United States gold and silver coin, and unless paid within fifteen days from the date hereof, the Common Council will order warrants issued for the collection thereof:

Block.	Lot.	Owner.	Assessm't.
Park 12		City of Portland	$30 46
203,	7, 8,	A Waltz	27 84
"	1,	P W Gillette	22 98
"	2,	Jas Lamb	8 91
187,	1, 2,	J H Mitchell	32 54
"	7, 8,	Henry Young	32 44
161	1,	Sarah A King	11 21
"	2,	Anna O'Brien	9 00
"	W½ 7 and 8,	J W Meldrum	12 61
"	E½ 7 and 8,	Geo A Steel	10 10
150,	7, 8,	Wm Braden	21 94
160,	1,	Will'tte Lodge A F & A M	1 50
127,	8,	Jno Gates	13 40
"	1 and 2,	Jno Lane	34 04
116,	8,	W L Higgins	11 36
"	7,	Samuel Scott	9 08
"	1,	L'n Vial & I A Davenport	14 00
			$303 42

By order of the Common Council.

W. S. CALDWELL, Auditor and Clerk.

Dec. 11, 1876. d11d10t

Mill Street.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ASSESSMENT made by Ordinance No. 1860, for the improvement of Mill street in the manner provided by Ordinance No. 1821, on each of the following described lots of land fronting upon that part of Mill street lying between West Park street and Front street, as well as those liable for a proportionate share of improving the intersections of streets running at right angles therewith is due and payable to the Treasurer of the city of Portland in United States gold and silver coin, and unless paid within fifteen days from the date of this notice, the Common Council will order warrants issued for the collection thereof:

Block.	Lot.	Owner.	Ass'mnt.
228,	1, 2,	Geo J Watts	$16 24
Park 14,		City of Portland	19 07
201,	1, 2, 7, 8,	D S Baker	59 68
162,	1, 2,	J A Strowbridge	31 84
134,	1, 2, 8,	J S Smith	46 56
125	7, 8,	H L Darr	24 66
"	1, 2,	Jas Wilson	32 91
118,	1,	P A Marquam	13 70
"	7,	Mrs Ann Schoppe	9 17
"	8,	Robert Nelson	24 97
			$279 73

By order of the Common Council.

W. S. CALDWELL, Auditor and Clerk.

Dec. 11, 1876. d11d10t

Jefferson Street.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ASSESSMENT made by Ordinance No 1864 for the improvement of Jefferson street in the manner provided by Ordinance No. 1817 on each of the following described lots of land fronting upon that part of Jefferson street lying between West Park and Front streets, as well as those liable for a proportionate share of improving the intersections of streets running at right angles therewith, is due and payable at the office of the City Treasurer in United States gold and silver coin, and unless paid within fifteen days from the date hereof, the Common Council will order warrants issued for the collection thereof:

Block	Lot.	Owner.	Assessm't
Park 10,	—	City of Portland	$29 26
205,	1, 2, 7, 8,	Portland Academy	67 80
185,	7, 8,	W S Ladd	38 36
166,	1, 2,	J N Dolph	20 02
148,	7, 8,	J C Van Rensselaer	20 02
147,	8,	Anna S. Bancroft	21 50
129,	1, 2,	D Monnastes	19 48
114,	7,	Asa Harker	8 66
114,	8,	P W Davis	10 82
			$235 92

By order of the Common Council.

W. S. CALDWELL, Auditor and Clerk.

Dec. 11, 1876. d11d10t

RAILROADS.

Oregon & California R. R.

[illegible]

To Take Effect Sunday, Sept. 17, 1876, at 12 o'clock Noon.

DAILY (EXCEPT SUNDAY)

As follows:

PORTLAND AND ROSEBURG

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
Portland	7:30 A. M.	Roseburg	[illegible]:00 P. M.
Roseburg	5:00 A. M.	Portland	[illegible] P. M.

ALBANY EXPRESS TRAIN.

DAILY, (EXCEPT SUNDAY)

As follows:

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
Portland	3:50 P. M.	Albany	8:25 P. M.
Albany	5:30 A. M.	Portland	10:05 A. M.

FREIGHT TRAINS

DAILY, (EXCEPT SUNDAYS) AS FOLLOWS

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
Portland	6:15 A. M.	Junction	6:00 P. M.
Junction	5:45 A. M.	Portland	5:15 P. M.

The Oregon and California Railroad Ferry makes connection with all Regular Trains.

Close connections are made at ROSEBURG with the Stages of the Oregon and California Stage Company.

Tickets for Sale to all the principal points in California and the East, at Company's Office,

Cor. F and Front Sts., at Ferry Landing

PORTLAND.

Storage will be charged on freight remaining in Warehouse over 24 hours.

Freight will not be received for shipment after 5 o'clock P. M.

J. BRANDT, Jr., Gen'l Sup't.

E. P. ROGERS, Gen'l Freight and Passenger Agent.

Northern Pacific Railroad,

PACIFIC DIVISION.

[illegible]

KALAMA TO TACOMA.

DAILY, (SUNDAYS EXCEPTED.)

LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
Kalama	11:20 A. M.	Tacoma	6:00 P. M.
Tacoma	7:00 A. M.	Kalama	12:00 P. M.

CONNECTIONS.

At Kalama with O. S. N. Co's Boats for all points on Columbia River.

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Connecting Tri-Monthly with Pacific Mail Steamship Co's steamers from VICTORIA to SAN FRANCISCO.

Through fare from Portland to San Francisco; Cabin........$35 00 | Steerage........$1[illegible] 00

Through Tickets for sale at the office of the O. S. N. Co., Portland, Or.

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T. A. M'BRIDE

ATTORNEY AT LAW.

Office in Mounts [illegible] Brick, First street, Portland.

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NORTHUP & GILBERT,

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,

Room, No. 8 Dekum's Building,

Portland, Ogn. [illegible]

SYL. C. SIMPSON. JNO. B. WALDO.

SIMPSON & WALDO,

ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,

No. 12 Dekum's Building.

W[illegible] & PECHHEIMER,

Attorneys at Law,

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DISTRICT OF OREGON, ss.—At Portland, Ogn, the seventh day of December, A. D. 1876. The undersigned hereby gives notice of his appointment as Assignee of The Oregon Iron Works, of Albina, in the county of Multnomah, and State of Oregon, within said district, which has been adjudged a bankrupt upon petition of its creditors, by the District Court of said District.

d8d1aw3t GEO. WOODWARD, Assignee.

K. of P.—EXCELSIOR LODGE No. 1,

MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING, AT 7½ o'clock, in Castle Hall, corner of First and Taylor streets. Members of Sister Lodges and sojourning brethren are cordially invited to attend.

J. P. ROGERS, C. C.

GEO. S. H. JACKSON, K. of R. and S. [illegible]

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ATTORNEY AT LAW,

Office—Opposite Court House,

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d1d1m

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Cabin.............$25 00 | Steerage..........$12 00

Tickets for sale at Office Oregon Steam Navigation Company, corner First and Ash streets, up stairs.

Through Tickets sold to China, Sandwich Islands, Australia, New Zealand, Panama and New York.

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STEAMERS leave PORTLAND from the Central Wharf, between Washington and Alder streets, as follows:

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W[illegible] STREET [illegible]

[illegible]

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HAMBLY & BARBER,

[illegible]

COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

[illegible]

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PORK PACKER.

[illegible] and Eleventh.

[illegible] paid for Fat Hogs. d&w

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[illegible] Center Market,

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[illegible] street between [illegible] and Main. All kinds of Cutlery and Surgical Instruments repaired to order.

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To the [illegible]

[illegible]

SEMINAL [illegible]

Seminal Emissions, [illegible] This solitary vice, so [illegible] practiced by the youth [illegible] unlimited [illegible] ty, the following [illegible] combatted by [illegible] low countenance, [illegible] the head, [illegible] of leaves and [illegible] the loins, weakness [illegible] blunted intellect, [illegible] approaching [illegible] memory, [illegible] tions about the [illegible] couple, [illegible] frequent [illegible]

CURE [illegible]

Persons at a distance [illegible] by addressing [illegible] symptoms, [illegible] and have [illegible] with [illegible] Dellon [illegible] office or [illegible] Union. Address [illegible]

NERVOUS [illegible]

DR. [illegible]

ESSENCE [illegible]

CURES NERVOUS [illegible]

THE [illegible]

WILL CURE [illegible]

CITY [illegible]

NOTICE IS [illegible]

Dec. 11, 1876.

NOTICE IS HEREBY [illegible]

Portland, Dec. 1, 1876.

CITY DIRECTORY

IN PRESS, AND [illegible] or about JANUARY [illegible]

PORTLAND CITY [illegible]

Embracing a General [illegible] Directory of East Portland [illegible] ness Directory and [illegible] Progress and Present [illegible]

This being the First [illegible] the above work, the [illegible] pense to render it [illegible] CURATE, his sole [illegible] TORY useful to every [illegible] ful annual index of [illegible] the city.

The CANVASSING [illegible] East Portland will be [illegible] so as to ensure correct [illegible]

Mr. A. BUSHWELL [illegible] tisements, and the [illegible] patronage may be [illegible] issue that has been [illegible] teen years.

Please report [illegible] Business, Removals, etc., [illegible] STORE, 41 First street.

East Portland [illegible]

NOTICE IS HEREBY [illegible] sessment Roll [illegible] for the year 1876, has been [illegible] of Trustees by the City [illegible] open for inspection [illegible] and Auditor until the [illegible] All applications for [illegible] valuation and listing of [illegible] the Recorder prior to [illegible]

By order of the Board of [illegible]

I. N. [illegible]

East Portland, Dec. [illegible]

Good Ad[illegible]

VOL. XV.—NO. 27[illegible]

POLITICAL.

What Gov. Hendricks Says.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 20,—[illegible] a Journal reporter to [illegible] voted for Tilden believ[illegible] [illegible] excited at the [illegible] [illegible] of the office [illegible] [illegible] who was not [illegible] machinery, anti[illegible] and even by dis[illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] its powers. [illegible] republican insti[illegible] [illegible] can be mad[illegible] who so under[illegible] election by [illegible] it is the dut[illegible] to see th[illegible] elected, even [illegible] maintain it. [illegible] and I believe [illegible] the House of [illegible] equal power [illegible] of all questi[illegible] of the count of [illegible]

[illegible]